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BATTLE RAGES IN CENTRE OF BERLIN

Russians Reach "Last Line Before Hitler"

Fires Flare Up At Several Points In Capital

Stalin Announces Capture Of Baltic Port Of Stettin

LONDON, April 26. (Reuter): Hitler will remain in Berlin until the battle has been brought to a successful close, said Hamburg radio to-day.

Berlin defenders, still hoping for a victorious end in the desperate fight for their capital, were again to-day promised powerful reinforcements by Goebbels, who assured them that Hitler "with his strong hand and calm nerves" was still with them personally directing theirefforts.

FIGHTING IN CITY CENTRE

The front-line now runs through the centre of city, and a Hamburg radio report says that civil police have joined military units in defending it. One heavily besieged area is defended by Germany's youngest General, Maj.-Gen. Baerfaenger, promoted on the spot from the rank of Lt.-Col. by Hitler himself.

Other radio reports say that the industrial life of the city is not yet at a standstill. A skeleton transport service still operates, and workers under heavy shell-fire from all sides are turning out weapons and supplies for the defenders.

'LAST LINE BEFORE HITLER'

MOSCOW, April 26: The Red Army driving through Berlin's streets from its eastern suburbs has reached and entered at some points the hard kernel of the city's defence—the central area where German guns are massed wheel to wheel behind a succession of barricades cables Reuter's Special Correspondent.

As they reach this "last line before Hitler"—if it is true that he is still in the city—Soviet troops are concentrating a storm of shells on the area where the Fuehrer's Headquarters is believed to be.

Red Army formations moving along the south bank of Berlin's river Spree have reached the area of Goerlitzer Bahnhof—the terminus from which lines run to the south and the south-east. There they have joined up with other Soviet troops north of the river. Fires in the capital are flaring up as disorganisation in the German-held area increases.

NOT EASY TO ESCAPE

If Hitler is still in his capital, escape will not be an easy matter. Russian fighter planes are hovering over every open space within the Berlin trap where the Germans could possibly get an escape plane into the air.

NAZI COUNTER-BLOW

About 30 miles east of the Saxon capital of Dresden in the Bautzen sector which represents the left flank of the Russian Central Army Group.

DRIVE ON PRAGUE

The souh-eastern threat to Prague is developing as the Red Army battles deeper into Brno in stiff street fighting.

The pressure now being applied to the German flanks will force the Germans to choose between getting out of the city or annihilation as a grouping in street by street battles.

SOVIETS REACH CENTRE OF BERLIN

A late front dispatch today reported that the first Soviet detachments have reached the centre of Berlin.

The whole town, burning at many points, is covered with a heavy pall of smoke.

More and more Soviet regiments are pouring into the city in great haste, afraid of being cheated of their part in the final battle.

In regions, only a short distance behind the battle zone, Berliners are already coming out of their shelters and clearing masses of rubble from their streets.

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STETTIN CAPTURED

MOSCOW, Thursday. (Reuter): Stettin, important German Baltic port north of Berlin has been Captured, says Marshal Stalin in an Order of the Day.

Guderian In Command In Berlin

STOCKHOLM, April 26 (U.P.A.)—Field Marshal Heinz Guderian is in Berlin organizing the city's defence under Hitler's personal supervision, the German controlled Oslo Radio reported tonight.

Hitler is daily receiving the commanders of the various sectors in his underground bunker, hearing their reports and giving orders, the broadcast added.

More Than Half Of Berlin In Russian Hands

MOSCOW, April 26 (U.P.A.)—Russian forces now control more than one-half of Berlin. Red Army troops captured enormous amounts of booty, including planes with warm motors apparently intended for last-minute escapes by prominent Nazis.

The Swedish Telegraph Bureau reported that the Russians were closing in on the Olympic Stadium from the north and south and also threatening the Tiergarten.

A fierce tank battle was said to be raging at the Berlin motor racetrack at Avus west of the city.

MUSSOLINI'S DEAL WITH PATRIOTS

LONDON, April 26 (U.P.A.): Unconfirmed continental reports to-day told of a big patriot revolt sweeping clear large areas of northern Italy and hinted that Benito Mussolini may be trying to deal with partisans if he is allowed to escape. A broadcast heard by BBC in London said: "This morning Mussolini sent a messenger bearing a flag of truce to the head of the Socialists in Milan and offered that the partisans should take over power on the condition that the Germans and the new Fascists would be allowed to leave without hindrance".

STOP PRESS

RUSSIANS CAPTURE BRNO

MOSCOW, April 26 (U.P.A.): Marshal Stalin announced to-night in an Order of the Day that Russian forces have captured Brno, capital of Moravia.

BREMEN CLEARED

Gen. Montgomery's Headquarters, April 26 (U.P.A.): The British Second Army has cleared all of Bremen except the port area.

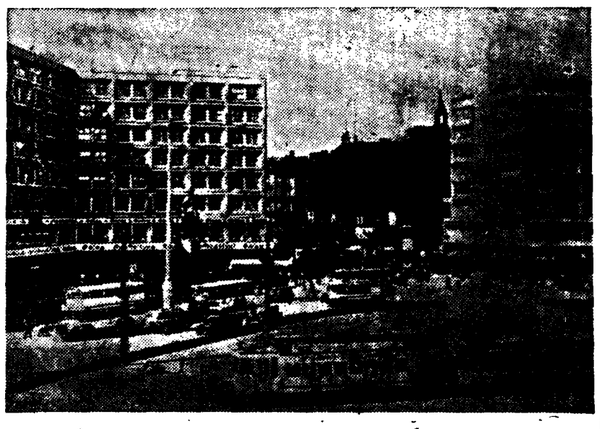
AMERICANS CAPTURE CZECH TOWNS

With the U. S. Third Army, April 26 (U.P.A.): Third Army units after crossing the Danube to-day captured the Czechoslovakian cities of Regensburg, Chorbor and Egor.

FRENCH OCCUPY CONSTANCE

ZURICH, April 26 (U.P.A.): The French Third Armoured Squadron today occupied the German city of Constance on the Swiss frontier.

ALEXANDER PLATZ—BERLIN



LONDON, April 26. (Reuter): Red Army tanks and street-fighting squads were last reported only a few hundred yards from Alexander Platz, the famous seat of Berlin police headquarters in the heart of the Capital.

Khan Saheb Refutes Amery's Statement

"Governor Never Asked Support To War Effort Nor Was Such Assurance Given"

PESHAWAR, April 26. (A.P.I.): Dr. Khan Saheb, Premier of N. W. F. P., in an interview here said to-day that he had given no assurance to the Governor to support the war effort nor was any such assurance asked for.

Dr. Khan Saheb, whose attention had been invited to Mr. Amery's remark in Parliament that a Congress Government had taken over in N. W. F. Province and was supporting the war effort said: "Let Mr. Amery explain himself".

CORRUPTION GOES DOWN

"With the assumption of office by the Congress, corruption and bribery had gone down remarkably," declared Dr. Khan Saheb, addressing a Press Conference today.

Dr. Khan Saheb said that those who were addicted to these vices were terribly afraid of the present Government and the pressure of public opinion. He had his own channel of information to get all reports. He had appointed a Committee to deal with corruption cases and another to deal with litigation.

FORCED TO ACCEPT OFFICE

In reply to a question, Dr. Khan Saheb explained his attitude to the question of office acceptance by the Congress. "So far as I am concerned," he said, "I was opposed to the acceptance of office, but the people and the Congress Party in the Frontier compelled me to form the Ministry." He assured them that he would try to the best of his power to serve his people though there were limitations as to the scope and field of service under the present constitution.

CLOTH PROBLEM

Dr. Khan Saheb expressed satisfaction with the food situation in the Frontier Province but added that the cloth problem was difficult. He said he was trying to secure a bigger quota of cloth for the Province.

The Frontier Premier indicated that the Government would control the export of food grains from the Province.

Answering questions on Soviet Russia he said that in Russia alone a partial democracy existed and it was moving towards a fuller democracy.

PATTOM THANU PILLAI TO BE RELEASED

TRIVANDRUM, April 25 (A.P.I.)—The Travancore Government have ordered the release from detention of Mr. Pattom Thanu Pillai purely on medical grounds. It will be recalled he was detained under the Travancore Restriction and Detention Act as from 26th March, 1945.

U. S. NATURALISATION FOR 4,000 INDIANS

WASHINGTON, April 26 (Reuter).—The Senate Emigration Committee today opened the hearing on a new bill which would make eligible for naturalisation some 4,000 Indians now resident in the United States. A Justice Department official and Prof. John Cooper of Washington Catholic University appeared as witnesses during the brief session and several Indians submitted statements.

Dr. Numbarak Khan, President of the Indian Welfare League, presented a statement supporting the new Bill.

Mohan Bagan And Mohamedan Sporting Draw

CALCUTTA, April 26 (A.P.I.): The top half semi-final of Beighton cup tournament between Mohan Bagan and Mohamedan Sporting ended in a draw, each side scoring once.

Petain Surrenders

PARIS, Thursday (Reuter).—Marshal Petain surrendered to the French authorities on the Franco-Swiss frontier this afternoon according to well-informed quarters, though no official statement has yet been made.

HOW PETAIN TRICKED NAZIS!

LONDON, April 26 (Globe).—Petain did not leave Germany by permission of the Nazis. He escaped by a trick. From one of his suit I earned something of the escape, cables an Express Service reporter from Wessen (Switzerland).

For some weeks, Petain and other collaborationists were at Sigmaringen, 50 miles north of the frontier town of Constance, awaiting permission to move southwards to the Bavarian Redoubt.

Orders reached them on Monday to leave for the town of Dornbirn just inside the Redoubt. When Petain was near the Swiss frontier he told his Nazi guards he was not feeling well and intended to spend the night at Bregenz.

During the evening, Petain was able to get a junior official of his suite across the frontier with a request for permission to enter Switzerland. This was granted, on condition that it was for transit only. During the night plans for his escape were elaborated and at seven in the morning Petain set out for the frontier.

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FOUR INDIANS CALLED TO BAR

LONDON, April 26 (Reuter): The following were called to the bar at the Inns of Court last night. Lincolns Inn; Mr N D K Rao, Madras University. Inner Temple: Mr P C Mehta, Bombay University and Mr A De Goysa of the Supreme Court Ceylon. Grays Inn: Mr Sudhamaya Basu, Calcutta University and Mr Abdul Quadir Malik.

Acid Thrown On City Editor's Face

BOMBAY, Thursday

In the Mazagaon Police Court, a case is going on against Mulla Abbasbhai, Editor "Munsaf" for alleged defamation of Mullaji Saheb.

To-night at about 10, when Mr. Mulla Abbasbhai was entering his office, at Ripon Road, a youth is said to have thrown acid on his face. Mr. Mulla was taken to the J. J. Hospital where two doctors who examined him opined that he had completely lost one eye and that there was little hope of the other.

Link-Up With Russians

Patton's Troops Cross Danube: Advance Towards Munich Continues

S.H.A.E.F., PARIS, (Thursday) (Reuter): A large scale link-up with the Russians along scores of miles of the Central German front appears to have taken place.

It is believed here to-night that an official announcement of the link-up is at hand.

Patton's Troops Cross Danube

From Reuter's Special Correspondent with the U. S. Third Army, April 26 (Reuter): Gen. Patton's Third Army troops crossed the Danube at three points east and west of Regensburg on a fringe of the Nazis' southern redoubt.

The assault was launched in darkness early this morning at points along an eighteen-mile front.

Battles In Outskirts Of Augsburg

LONDON, April 26 (Reuter): German-controlled Norwegian radio reported to-day that hard fighting was raging in the outskirts of the ancient Bavarian city of Augsburg on the main railway to Munich, 30 miles north-west of the southern redoubt capital.

Gen. Patch's Seventh Army troops across the Danube near Dillingen were last reported about 20 miles north of Augsburg.

Half Of Bremen In Allied Hands

British Second Army Hq., April 26: Half of Bremen is now in Allied hands.

Two infantry divisions are battling in the heart of the city to-day towards the dock area. Opposition is crumbling, cabled Reuter's Special Correspondent.

Scottish troops have reached the railway station, while below the Weser, Field-Marshal Montgomery's Ironsides' have taken the airfield. Since the all-out reduction of Bremen began four days ago more than fifteen-hundred tons of bombs have smashed the garrison defences.

Advance Towards Munich Continues

S.H.A.E.F., PARIS, April 26 (Reuter): General Eisenhower's communique to-day put Allied armour advancing on Munich from the north at a point 15 miles southeast of Regen and 18 miles from the Austrian border. Further west, the Allies hold a ten-mile stretch of the Danube from a point two miles west of Regensburg to Kelheim.

In the pocket south of Stuttgart, which the 'communique' said is collapsing, a number of towns were taken.

The Allies have reached the sea near the Dutch-German frontier, isolating the pocket in the area of Delfzijl.

On Tuesday, the Allies took over 43,000 prisoners—slightly higher than the average of the preceding few days.

Garrison Officer Commit Suicide

PARIS, April 25 (U P A): Many German officers and men of the Kuestrin garrison committed suicide rather than meet the Soviet onslaught, Stars and Stripes correspondent Sergeant Thomas Hoge, who recently escaped to the Soviet lines after escaping from a German prisoner of war camp, said today.

"The Russians have the world's most unorthodox army combining lusty enthusiasm, and cold blooded ferocity making a driving force that shrivels German opposition to a state of abject terror," Hoge said.

EAST LONDON MOSQUE DAMAGED IN RAIDS

LONDON, April 26, (Reuter): The East London mosque in Commercial Road incorporating Jamati-ul-Muslimin it can now be revealed, has been seriously damaged by enemy air action. This is the third time the mosque has suffered.

The assembly hall, which has only just been repaired after being damaged by a flying bomb, again caught the full blast of another attack.

Immam Ali Basha, his wife and his two year old daughter, Lyla were in bed at the time. "The baby was sleeping under a window", Basha told Reuter.

"The blast blew the window completely over the cot but luckily the child was unharmed. A second window fell on the top of my wife and myself showering us with glass. We escaped with minor scratches."

At the moment Basha and family are living in the library until their rooms can be repaired.

THREE BR. ANARCHISTS JAILED

LONDON, April 26 (Reuter).—Three of four anarchists charged with conspiracy in the first "political" trial of the war were today found guilty and sentenced to nine months' imprisonment. They are Vernon Richards a Civil Engineer, Dr. John Hewetson, a medical practitioner, and Philip Sansom, a commercial artist. Richard's wife Marie Louise was found not guilty and discharged.

The anarchists were tried under the Wartime Regulation designed to protect members of the armed forces from being "seduced from their duty."

LATEST COMMERCIAL

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Difference	—02

Small Powers Demand Seat On 'Frisco Council

Egyptian Foreign Minister Urges Expansion Of Membership

SAN FRANCISCO, April 26. (Reuter): Abdel Hamid Badawy Pasha, the Egyptian Foreign Minister, urged at yesterday's meeting of the Security Conference that the membership of the proposed Security Council should be increased from 11 to 14 to give the smaller Powers larger representation.

"We suggest the earnest consideration of the principle of territorial representation by zones, so that all areas apart from the territories of the Five Great Powers might be embodied into and share in the duties of the Security Council," he said.

MOVE FOR PARIS LABOUR CONGRESS

OAKLAND (California), April 26 (Reuter).—British, Russian and other European and Latin-American spokesmen went into Conference here yesterday when World Labour leaders began their counterpart to the Dumbarton Oaks parleys.

The President of the Congress of Industrial Organisations, Mr. Philip Murray, attended the meeting, but there was no representative of the American Federation of Labour.

The meeting, besides drawing up tentative plans for the World Labour Congress to be finally set up at the Conference in Paris in September, will stand ready to counsel the San Francisco Conference on labour and social problems.

Luxembourg Move For Federation

SAN FRANCISCO, April 26.—The Foreign Minister of Luxembourg, Joseph Boch, told the United Press of America today that Luxembourg, France, Belgium and Holland are negotiating for an economic union designed to fit into the World Security organization.

The union would remove tariff barriers and all other restrictions on the free flow of currencies and imports.

Great Powers Must Fulfil Obligations, Says Russian Legal Authority

MOSCOW, April 26 (U.P.A.)—Prof. Eugene Korovin, noted authority on international law, said today in an article in the Soviet newspaper "Red Star" that the effectiveness of the San Francisco Conference depends upon the Great Powers' determination to fulfil their obligations and preserve fighting unity.

The second most important essential is close collaboration and mutual confidence among other participants in the conference, as well as their readiness to make their national interests conform to collective interests of all freedom-loving nations.

Prof. Korovin said that the Russian Government, "which for 27 years has sought to strengthen the comity of nations," will insist upon these fundamental principles at San Francisco.

INDIA'S CHALLENGE TO 'FRISCO

No Permanent Peace Or Security If Country Is Not Freed, Says Mrs. Pandit

SAN FRANCISCO, April 25 (U. P. A.): "The reason I venture to come is because India is so anxious that at this critical period decisions shall lead to fruitful results", Mrs. Vijayalakshmi Pandit told the 'United Press of America" as she arrived in San Francisco.

"India presents a challenge to San Francisco and the world," she added. "Only through solution of the problem of India can permanent peace and a system of security be achieved."

Fifty of her countrymen welcomed Mrs. Pandit at the railway station with the traditional garland of respect and corsages of lilacs and carnations.

She obligingly posed for photographers with members of the welcoming group. Among those who met Mrs. Pandit at the station were Dr. Anup Singh and Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Sharma of Los Angeles, who later escorted Mrs. Pandit to her quarters.

Among the welcoming delegation were numerous Indian women with eyes moist with emotion. Also present were several Sikhs and farmers, some of whom came as far as 200 miles to greet Mrs. Pandit.

American Officials Assist Mrs. Pandit?

The Nationalists said that when, at first, they were unable to get accommodations for Mrs. Pandit they solicited the help of the State Department and Senator Sheridon Downey of California. The official attitude of the Department was that it could help only official delegates to the Conference. Unofficially, however, Senator Downey told the Nationalists, they said, that the Department arranged through private persons to obtain for Mrs. Pandit the Mills apartment she now is occupying.

Mrs. Pandit spent a quiet first day here. She had lunch with Mrs. Ogden Mills, whose apartment she has taken, and two local Indian leaders. During the afternoon she went over with them, plans for her California programme. She dined privately.

Indian Delegation To Offer "Some Proposals"

The Indian delegation to the San Francisco Conference will offer certain proposals to the international gathering at the proper time, Sir A. Ramaswami Mudaliar, head of the delegation, said to-day.

The nature of the proposals was not revealed.

Sir Ramaswami believed that the question of Indian independence is not likely to be placed before the Conference by the Indian delegation since the primary purpose of the Conference is not to discuss such matters but to formulate a plan for peace machinery.

TASK BEFORE FIRST PLENARY SESSION

SAN FRANCISCO, April 26 (Reuter): Special committees to study most difficult problems facing the United Nations Conference will be formed during the first plenary session to be held this afternoon. Among the problems to be resolved are powers of the proposed Security Council, Regional arrangements, methods of a peaceful settlement of disputes, international trusteeships. The United States representatives for the Committees have already been named.

During the plenary session Foreign Ministers of the four convening Great Powers will all speak.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The sponsoring powers have agreed on a conference of the Executive Committee representing eleven nations.

The eleven are the Council's five permanent members and Persia, Belgium, Yugoslavia, Canada, Brazil and Mexico.

MOLOTOV'S DEMAND

Hopes of the United States' representatives that Russia did not raise the troublesome question of multiple vote for the Soviet disappeared when M. Molotov announced yesterday that he would present a request to the Conference Sterling Committee today for three votes for Russia in the world organisation.

German Lake Flotilla Surrenders

LONDON, April 16 (Reuter).—The Swiss Radio announces today that the German lake Constance Flotilla, consisting of nine ships, has surrendered to Swiss authorities in the Swiss ports on the lake.

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NOTICE

TENDERS ARE INVITED for the work of Gunite treatment and repairs to Chandanwadi Chawl No. 2 and Princess Street Chawl and will be received upto 1 P.M. (Bombay Time) on any day till Friday, the 4th May 1945.

Tenders should be addressed to the Municipal Commissioner and delivered at the office of the Chief Accountant, Municipal Offices, Fort, Bombay, enclosed in a sealed cover bearing the description of the tender.

Forms of tender, specifications, etc., will be issued on payment of Rs. 5|- for each copy to any one deputed to receive them, by the City Engineer, who will, on application, give any further information that may be required.

In case of a firm, the names of all the partners must invariably be specified in the tender.

A tender deposit of Rs. 2,500:- should be paid separately into the office of the Chief Accountant while submitting the tender.

The Municipal Commissioner does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any tender.

N.B.—"TENDERS MUST BE BROUGHT DULY SEALED TO THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE AND DELIVERED AT THE CHIEF ACCOUNTANT'S OFFICE AS DIRECTED ABOVE. TENDERERS SHALL NOT BE ALLOWED TO FILL IN OR SEAL THEIR TENDERS AT THE CHIEF ACCOUNTANT'S OR ANY OTHER MUNICIPAL OFFICE."

(Sd.) N. V. MODAK,
City Engineer.

Municipal Offices,
Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay.
Dated the 23rd April, 1945.
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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that RAMDAS RANCHORDAS THAKERSEY has agreed to sell the undermentioned property to our client.

All persons having any claim to or upon or interest in the said property by way of mortgage, charge, inheritance, lease, sale, gift, lien or otherwise howsoever are required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their office at Esplanade Road, Fort, Bombay within fourteen days from the date hereof, otherwise the same, if any, will be considered to have been waived and the purchase will be completed without any regard thereto.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY.

ALL that piece or parcel of freehold land or ground with the messuage, tenement or dwelling house standing thereon situate, lying and being on the Western side of Walkeshwar Road in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement one thousand and eighty square yards or thereabouts and registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue at Bombay under New Survey No. 7261 and Cadastral Survey No. 5 of Malabar and Cumballa Hill Division and in the books of the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Taxes under D Ward No. 2986 and Street Nos. 266, 8-12 and bounded as follows, that is to say, on or towards the East by the Mochis Dharamshala, on or towards the West by the property of Chunilal Deokaran, Pranjiwan Deokaran and Manubhai Deokaran, on or towards the North by the Private Lane leading to Banganga Road and on or towards the South by Walkeshwar Banganga Road.

Dated this 23rd day of April, 1945.

PAYNE & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
(3022)

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mrs. OLIVE MYERS, Mrs. EDITH ABREO, Mrs. IVY DE-CRUZ, Mr. HERBERT MOURICE LOPEZ and Mr. DOMINIC ANTHONY LOPEZ have contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client. Any person or persons having any right title and interest, claim or demand upon or in respect of the said property by way of sale, gift, transfer, trust, inheritance, maintenance, share, mortgage, exchange, lease, lien, charge possession, easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at 77, Meadows Street, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY ABOVE REFERRED TO:

ALL THAT piece or parcel of land or ground, admeasuring 360 Square Yards or thereabouts together with the messuages tenements or dwelling houses standing thereon situate lying and being at Mahim, Bombay, in the Registration Sub-District Bombay in the Y Road off Lady Jamshedji Road, bearing C. S. No. 454 of Mahim Division and Street No. 12-6, Ward No. 4113 (2AO) of 17 (G) Ward.

Dated this 25th day of April, 1945.

SHASTRI & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys
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PUBLIC NOTICES

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APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the post of Head Cutting Supervisor in the Government Saw Mill, Sewri, Bombay. The post is purely temporary.

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Applications complete with details of educational qualifications, previous experience etc., must reach the undersigned on or before 4-5-1945. The applicants must be prepared to appear for an interview before the undersigned if so required at their own expense.

V. S. KUPPUSWAMY,
Director.
Timber Directorate, Exchange Building,
Ballard Estate, Bombay.
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LEGAL NOTICES

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
TESTAMENTARY AND INTESTATE JURISDICTION
CITATION

Petition for Letters of Administration Limited to certain shares, belonging to Mafatlal Gagalbhai & Co. Ltd. and certain moneys belonging to Messrs. Mafatlal Gagalbhai & Sons, but standing in the name of Bhagubhai Mafatlal of Bombay Hindu Inhabitant who resided at Altamount Road, without the Fort of Bombay. ..... Deceased.

ARVINDPRASAD NAVINCHANDRA, of Bombay Hindu Inhabitant, Merchant, a Director of Mafatlal Gagalbhai & Co. Ltd., as also a partner in the firm of Messrs. Mafatlal Gagalbhai & Sons residing at Altamount Road without the Fort of Bombay. ..... Petitioner.

All persons claiming to have any interest in the Estate of the abovenamed deceased are hereby cited to come and see the Proceedings if they think fit before the Grant of Letters of Administration.

(Sd.) A. H. KIRTIKAR,
Frothonotary & Senior Master.
The 19th day of April, 1945.
KANGA & CO.,
Petitioner's Attorneys.
3016

AUCTION SALES

OPPORTUNITY TO BUY GENUINE PERSIAN CARPETS.
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AUCTION SALE OF COUNTRY TEAK, JUNGLE WOOD ETC.

By order of the Controller of Supplies, Disposals Branch, Bombay, Messrs. GANDHI & CO. will offer for sale by Public Auction on MONDAY 30-4-45, at 11 a.m. (S.T.), at Government Timber Stores Depot, near Lever Brothers Soap Factory, Hajl Bunder, Sewree:—Country teak, thin boards, short length pieces, off cuts, coniferous side slabs etc.
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In accordance with Section 64 of the Bombay Port Trust Acts of 1879 and as from time to time amended under instructions from the Manager, Bombay Port Trust Docks, MENESSE & CO., will sell by Public Auction on TUESDAY the 1st May, 1945, at 3 p.m. at Alexandra Docks Sale Warehouse the uncleared cargoes of the B. P. T. Dock such as old iron wooden boxes, Medicine, Hessian cloth bobbins etc.
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AUCTION SALE OF VERY VALUABLE PROPERTY AT TARDEO KNOWN AS "RAJA BAHADUR MOTILAL BOMBAY MILLS LTD."

Under instructions from Messrs. Ghulamali Noorani & Co., Attorneys for Messrs. Raja Bahadur Motilal Bombay Mills Ltd., Messrs BENNETT & CO., will (TO-DAY) FRIDAY, the 27th inst., at 4-30 p.m. (N.S.T.), sell by Public Auction on the premises:—

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By order of the Municipal Commissioner, Bombay, Messrs. BENNETT & CO., will on MONDAY, the 7th May, 1945, at 10 a.m. (N.S.T.), sell by Public Auction at Crawford Market the Right to collect various fees at the Slaughter House, Bandra, from 16th May, 1945, to 31st March, 1946.
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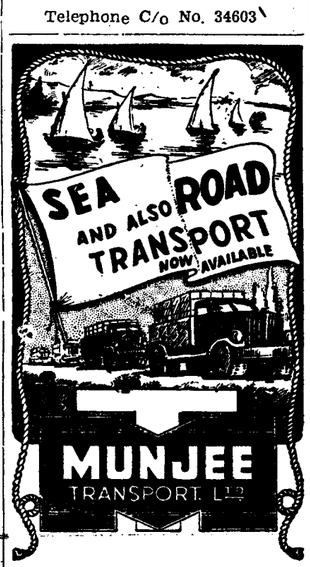

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CHAIRMAN ON "SATISFACTORY" WORKING OF COMPANY

Mr. M. L. Narasimiengar, B.A., B.E., M.I.E., (Ind.), Chairman, addressing the annual meeting of the Mysore Lamp Works Limited, Bangalore, on Saturday, April 21, said:—

Gentlemen,

I deem it a privilege to welcome you on behalf of the Board of Directors of the Mysore Lamp Works Ltd., to this the Eighth Annual General Meeting of the Company. The report of the Board of Directors for the year ended 31st December 1944 together with the Balance Sheet has been in your hands for over a fortnight now and I trust I may take them as read. But, before moving the adoption of the Report and proceeding to deal with the other items of business on the agenda, I wish, with your permission, to make some general remarks on the results of the working of the concern during the past year and on the present position and future prospects.

Judging from the financial results, I have no doubt that the working of the Company during the past year will be regarded as eminently satisfactory. The net profit realised falls only a little short of Rs. 2 lakhs which constitutes a record and exceeds the profit for the previous year by about Rs. 9,000, though a sum of over Rs. 36,000 has had to be paid from out of this amount towards additional income-tax claimed in respect of the previous year's income. The concern could not escape—no industry, for that matter, could be expected altogether to escape—some of these problems inseparable from a war economy, but it is gratifying to report that no serious difficulty was experienced in obtaining the main raw materials. In fact, the position in this respect was extremely satisfactory and though we had to depend almost entirely on indigenous sources of supply for procuring the shells needed for the manufacture of lamps, I am glad to be able to say that the supply was adequate. Besides, the fact that the Mysore Lamp Works is a member of the Advisory Panel of Lamp Manufacturers afforded us an opportunity of bringing our needs to the notice of the Electrical Directorate (whose assistance I should not fail to acknowledge on this occasion) and of obtaining our requirements by mutual pooling and exchange. These favourable factors enabled us to increase our production which more than neutralized the effects of the downward trend in prices. The total production of lamps during the past year was the highest on record, but in endeavouring to meet the enormous demand for our products, care has been taken to maintain quality at a high level. Having had experience of the advantage of large scale production both from the producers' and consumers' points of view, we have programmed to step up our production still further during the current year and have accordingly arranged to import empty glass shells in large quantities from England which, when received, will enable us to double our production. We are greatly indebted to the Trade Commissioner for Mysore in London for his assistance in arranging for these imports. By implementing a programme of increased production, it is hoped that it will be possible for us appreciably to reduce our costs which should enable us to market our products at lower prices to consumers while bringing in larger aggregate returns. It is only by striving to maximise production that we can hope to effect all the economies and derive all the advantages incidental to large scale manufacture and serve the interests of our consumers as well as of ourselves.

Having said so much about the financial and manufacturing sides, I wish to say a few words about the measures we are taking to ensure the welfare of the employees. By re-arranging the existing plant it has been possible to secure greater moving space in the factory premises and ensure more light and ventilation. Enough space has also been made available for installation of one more unit. By careful manipulation and some small additions, the existing office building has been converted into a spacious stores and the office located in a small building giving a good frontage. A decent sports pavilion has been provided for the benefit of the employees and quarters are being built for the supervisory staff in the factory area.

It is necessary to guard ourselves against any feeling of undue self-complacence which such gratifying results as we have had during the past few years are apt to give rise to. The war in Europe is drawing to a victorious conclusion and with the return of normal conditions all adventitious advantages to industry are bound to disappear. To ensure survival in the wake of the restoration of competitive forces, it is imperative that we should look ahead and plan for those tough times which do not appear to be far distant. I wish to assure you that the management are keenly alive to the future needs of the concern and have appointed a Committee with Mr. M. Hayath, Chief Electrical Engineer to the Government of Mysore, who is one of our Directors, as Chairman to formulate post-war plans for its development. The Management have consistently followed the prudent policy of husbanding the resources of the concern during these years of prosperity. Including the proposed contribution for the current year, the amount standing at the credit of the General Reserve is Rs. 2 1/2 lakhs which is equal to the Company's subscribed capital itself. The resources that we have thus built up should stand us in good stead in financing our post-war development schemes and enable us to look forward to the future with reasonable confidence.

I do not wish to anticipate the Post-war Committee's proposals but I might say broadly that it is our ambition eventually to take up the manufacture of all kinds of electric lamps that are in general use in the country. It is also our intention in course of time to undertake the manufacture of glass shells ourselves as part of our post-war development schemes, but our needs for the present and immediate future will be met by our neighbour, the Mysore Glass and Enamel Works, whose co-operation, I am glad to say, we have been able to enlist in this behalf. In short, the Management will endeavour to do all that may be necessary to help this industry to adapt itself to changing circumstances, though I might at the same time express the hope that industries like ours which have risen to the occasion at a time of acute shortage of consumer goods will receive the consideration they deserve at the hands of those who will formulate the country's future industrial and fiscal policies.

This Company owes a deep debt of gratitude to the Government of Mysore for their keen and sympathetic interest in the welfare and working of the Company.

I would be failing in my duty if I do not express my indebtedness to the Members of the Board of Directors, individually and collectively, for their excellent and whole-hearted co-operation in the management of the Concern.

Before concluding, I wish to express my warm appreciation of the zealous and loyal services of the entire staff. I wish to make particular mention of the General Manager, Mr. K. V. Ananth, whose quiet unobtrusive efficiency has contributed not a little to the successful working of the Concern. He has been responsible for the increased production and re-arrangement of the machinery in the factory and the credit for the results achieved during the year under review is mostly due to him.

Gentlemen, let us now proceed to deal with the business on the Agenda.

POLLITT'S MAY DAY MESSAGE TO INDIA

"Country's Liberation Indispensable"

BOMBAY, Thursday.

"In this hour of victory in the West, we reaffirm our conviction that the liberation of India is indispensable for the achievement of lasting peace. Therefore, we demand the immediate release of Indian political prisoners and the opening of negotiations with leading Indian parties for the establishment of a National Government that can lead the Indian people forward by our side. We are confident that a free India can and will play a great part in building world peace and security", observes Mr. Harry Pollitt, General Secretary of the Communist Party, of Great Britain, in a May Day message to the Indian people.

"Peace", says Mr. Pollitt, "must enable the peoples of all nations to enjoy democratic freedom and shape their own way of life, free from outside interference. This aim is contained in the Yalta declaration and summed up in its pledge to remove the economic, social and political causes of war.

"On this May Day, with hope for the future, and pride in the achievements of the armed forces of Allied nations, we pledge ourselves to fight alongside our Indian comrades for the birth of a new world in which all men and all nations will be free from the scourge of poverty and exploitation."

CHINESE RED'S MESSAGE

Mr. Tung Pi-wu, the Communist member of the Chinese delegation to the San Francisco Conference, who passed through India last week in his message to the Indian people says:

"I extend our fullest solidarity and co-operation and hope that the Indian people will unite and establish a state which is in their own interests and according to their own will. I praise the heroic struggle of the Indian people against Japanese aggression and I thank the Indian people, especially the National Congress for the medical mission it sent to China which worked with the 8th Route and New Fourth Armies. It was a very great help to us. I hope the Indian people will contribute more in the war efforts against world fascism."

RATIONING OF CLOTH IN GUJERAT

(From Our Correspondent)
AHMEDABAD, April 26.

According to reliable report, though officially not confirmed, it is said that attempts are being made to making rationing in some places in Gujrat practicable. It is said that a plan is prepared which will be discussed in the Panel Board. According to this plan a certain number of units per head per year will be fixed. It is likely that the standard of one thousand units per head per consumption may be fixed. Different units will be fixed for different varieties of cloth, such as dhotis, saris, towels, shirting, coating, etc. Considering counts, and a consumer shall buy all these varieties in proportion to his fixed 1,000 units

DR. GUPTA'S RARE GIFT TO BENARES 'VARSITY

CALCUTTA, April 25. (A. P.): The Research Library of Dr. S. N. Das Gupta King George V Prof. of Mental and Moral Science, Calcutta University, has been donated to the Benares Hindu University for the foundation of a research institute in the name of the late Maharaja Sir Manindramfya Nundy of Cossimbazar

The library was started by Dr. Das Gupta in 1916 with the patronage of the late Maharaja, who had continued his help during his life time, and this was supplemented by personal contributions by Dr. Das Gupta.

The Library which is now worth about Rs. 1,25,000, is considered to be unique in its collection of valuable unpublished manuscripts and published works. For general studies and for the study of philosophy, particular Indian philosophy and ideology it is claimed to be almost unparalleled as a private collection in the country.

Urdu, Heritage Of Good Old Days

Zakir Hussain On Language's Role In Communal Unity

BOMBAY, Thursday

Under the auspices of the Anjuman-e-Taraqi Urdu, a meeting was held at the Sabu Siddik Technical Institute compound yesterday. Maulana Maher Khan Sahabab Malerkotlavi presiding. After the recitation of Quran., the President in his address said that literature should not be limited for the sake of literature; it must serve humanitarian purposes and create goodwill among nations

Dr. Zakir Hussain, Vice-Chancellor, National Muslim University, Delhi, who is here in connection with the Silver Jubilee of the University emphasised the importance of a national language in collective life. He said it is false to say that Urdu is a language of Muslims or it was in anyway forced by Muslim rulers on the Hindus. On the contrary, Muslim rulers themselves gave up their own languages, that is Turkish, Arabic and Persian and adopted for their use a purely 'Hindustani Bhaka' in order to cement the unity of Hindus and Muslims. It was not supported or helped by the State, but it grew by itself like a wild flower, because it had germs of expansion in it. It had nothing to do with politics or outside influence. It grew of its own accord and now it has the capacity of becoming the 'lingua franca' of Asia. After the war is over, it will serve as a medium for businessmen. Urdu is our heritage of grand and good old days and must be safeguarded.

A symposium was held in which Hazrat Josh, Hazrat Jigar, Ihsan bin Danish, Mahirul Qadri, Shams Azimabadi, Majruh and Kaifi Azmi participated. The Mushaira lasted till midnight.—O.P.I.

Jamia Educational Exhibition

An exhibition of the work of the various institutions of the Jamia Millia Islamia, (National Muslim University), Delhi, has been arranged in the Mahomed Haji Sabu Siddik Institute Hall, (Shephard Road, Byculla) The Exhibition will remain open from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. daily, from Friday, April 27 till Sunday, April 29.

ZAKIR HUSSAIN'S LECTURE

Dr. Zakir Husain, Vice-Chancellor of the Jamia Millia Islamia, Delhi, will address a meeting at the M. H. Sabu Siddik Institute Hall on Sunday, April 29 at 6 p.m.

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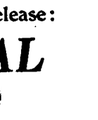

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Domestic Occurrence

DEATH

SHAH MOHANLAL MAGANLAL Father of S M SHAH, ESQR, BAR-AT-LAW expired at Jambusar on Thursday the 26th inst. at the age of 77 leaving a widow, three sons and a daughter and circle of friends to mourn his loss.

To-day's Engagements

TELEGRAPH NOTIFICATION: With immediate effect supplement to Acme code permitted in telegrams to and from France.

GRANT MEDICAL COLLEGE SOCIETY: 94th annual general meeting 7 p m and dinner at 8.30 p m at Governor's Pavilion, Cricket Club of India on Saturday, April 28

THE SOUTH INDIAN BHAJANA SAMAJ-MATUNGA: Nadaswara Katcheri by Vidwan Venugopalan Bros and Party of Ayyampet with Mr. Meenakshi Sundaram Pillay-Thavul at 5 p m today.

KHAR BALKAN-JI-BARI: will celebrate its anniversary today (Friday) at 9-30 p m (S T), at the Laxminagar Hall, with a programme of music dances and dramatics. Mr. Chhotubhai Marfatia presiding.

ST. JOHN AMBULANCE ASSOCIATION, BOMBAY CENTRE: Annual general meeting today at 6 p m at 141, Mint Road, Bombay 1. H. E. the Governor of Bombay to preside.

BROADCAST ON SAN FRANCISCO: Mr. Lloyd Griffin, Head of the United States Office of War Information, Bombay, will broadcast today at 5.45 p m on the "San Francisco Conference". All-India Radio Bombay, will radiate the talk on both waves.

MUNICIPAL COMMISSIONER'S ROUND: The Municipal Commissioner and the Councillors of Ward No. 3 (Mandvi Chakla) will meet near the junction of Mahomedaily Road and Musjid Bunder Road on Saturday April 28 at 6.51 a m (B T) 8-30 a m (S T) to go round the ward.

BOMBAY ANDHRA MAHASABHA: Ramanavami Celebrations. Today 9 p m Miss D Meena Subbarayudu (Vocal), Miss R Meenakshi Parameshwaram (Violin) and Mr R Parameshwaram (Mridangam). Kuver Kunj, Parsi Colony, Dadar.

BIRTHDAY OF SWAMI RAMDAS: Bhajan and talk today by Sri R G Nadkarni from 7 a m to 8.30 at 16 Guruprasad, Taimakiwadi, Tardeo and bhajan and speeches from 7-15 p m to 8.30 at the Bombay Spiritual Centre, 2 Laburnum Road, Gamdevi.

LATE MR. T. V. NARAYANAN: The Matunga Athletic Club Matunga and other institutions have convened a public meeting today (Friday) at 7.30 p m to pass a resolution of condolence at the death of Mr. T. V. Narayanan, physical culturist of Bombay. It will be held at the playground of the Matunga Athletic Club, on Telang Road, near P. O. Matunga.

ARYA SAMAJ: The 3rd anniversary of the Arya Samaj, Gopitalao, Matunga will be celebrated on April 27, 28 and 29 at Shivaji Park, Dadar. A procession will take place today at 6.30 p m from Mani Bhavan B B C I Matunga. The following will take part: Shri Raja Guru Dhurendraji Shastri, Shri Kunvar Chandkaranji Sharda, Pandit Budhadevji Meerut, Pandit Biharilalji Shastri, Pandit Vidyanandji and others.

INSTITUTE OF AGRICULTURE, (ANAND) EXAMS

Sheth M. C. School of Agriculture Anand has issued results of the annual Examination of two years' "Krushivid" Course (1944-45) as under:—

FIRST YEAR (In order of merit): Madhavji G Kotval, Bhanuprasad N Dave Lalitmohan N Dave Harkhaji J Patel, Amarsing V Patel, Dwarikadatt N Vyas Malukchand R Shah, Udesingh B Kapletiya Laxmishankar N Bhatt, Bechardas V Patel, Harkhaji D Patel, Harilal K Suhagia, Himasingh B Chauhan Rambhai K Patel.

SECOND YEAR (In order of merit): Maganlal M Koticha, Abhaysingh K Solanki Hosang A Kama, Gunvantlal S Shukla, Lalitbhai I Patel, Yogendrasingh L Solanki, Chimanbhai G Patel, Ravjibhai C Patel, Ravjibhai B Patel, Pratapsingh M Parmar, Amarsingh M Rana.

Two 'May-Day Week' Meetings

In order to celebrate May-Day Week, in order to demand the release of National leaders and establishment of National Government and declare unflinching resolve to fight for freedom and socialism, two public meetings will be held to-day (Friday) under the auspices of the Bombay Communist Party, Bombay Girni Kamgar Union, B. B. and C. I. Railwaymen's Union, Iron and Steel Workers' Union, etc., at 6-30 p.m. at Marwadi Vidyalaya Hall, Messrs. D. S. Vaidya, Secretary of Bombay Communist Party, Zulmiram Chowdhary, Communist Corporator, A. S. R. Chari and Dr. Ashraf, A.I.C.C. Member will speak.

Kohinoor Mill Corner: Messrs. Parab, Ranganekar, Donde and Shri Vimal Ranadive will address.

TO-DAY ON RADIO

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244 m. (1,231 kc/s)—8-0 a.m. News (H) 8-15 News (E) 8-30 Laxmibai Kelkar. 8-45 Gottuvadyam. 8-50 News (M) 9-0 News (G) 9-10 To-morrow. 9-15 Amir Husain. 9-35 Geet. 12-30 p.m. Bhavgeet. 12-45 News (M). 12-50 News (G). 12.55 News (H). 1-0 Musical Mixture. 1-30 News (E). 1.40 Music. 2-30 For Women (G). 4.20 Puria Dhanashri. 4-45 Instrumental Duet 5-Abdul Karim Qawwal. 5.15 Panditrao Nagarkar. 5-45 Topical Talk. 5.55 Locals. 6-0 Argonauts. 6.30 News (E). 6-40 News (H). 6-45 Matters of Moment. 6-50 "Brijraj Dulare". 7-0 Economic Review (M). 7-15 Abdul Karim Qawwal. 7-20 Mulchand J. Nayak. 7-45 Music from Film. 8-00 Amir Husain. 8-15 News (M). 8-30 News (G). 8-45 Mulchand J. Nayak 9.0 News (H). 9-20 News (E) 9-30 B. B. C. News. 9-45 World Affairs (B. B. C.3.) 10-0 Panditrao Nagarker. 10-2 Amir Husain. 10-35 Laxmibai Kelkar.

CONDOLENCE MEETING

of members of the Bombay Secondary Teachers' Association and of friends and admirers of late Shri. S. U. SHUKLA on FRIDAY, 27th inst. at 6-30 p.m. in the UNIVERSITY CONVOCATION HALL.

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ALL INDIA WEATHER

POONA, April 26, (A.P.I.).

The following is the weather-chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches during the past 24 hours, from first January 1945, and departure from normal recorded at 09.00 hours on 26th April :—

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A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Faith in the claims of freedom must have something like a religious intensity not only in the minds of our leaders, but in the minds too of those whom they lead.

—Harold Laski.

The Bombay Chronicle

CONGRESS AND MINISTRIES

In his speech at the Frontier Political Conference on Monday Mr. Meher Chand Khanna, Secretary of the Frontier Assembly Congress Party, referred to Mr. Amery's remarks in the House of Commons that "the Frontier swallow does not make the summer for the rest of India" and said: "If the national demand is not conceded, the Frontier Ministry might even go to the extent of resigning office". Mr. Amery had suggested that the Frontier Province was unlike other Congress provinces and had, therefore, shown a greater spirit of co-operation than might be possible in those provinces. Mr. Khanna therefore, rightly pointed out that the Frontier Congress leaders had no more itch for office than other Congress leaders, that Congress policy about office in any province depended on various circumstances, that the special circumstances of the Frontier Province had justified the tentative resumption of office and that "if the national demand was not conceded the Frontier ministry might resign again." He revealed that Dr. Khan Sahib was not at all willing to form the Ministry, much less become the Premier, but as a loyal and disciplined soldier of freedom he abided by the party decision and the wishes of the people of the province. Why precisely the people of the province and the Provincial Assembly Congress Party wished to have a Congress Ministry need not be discussed here. What needs to be emphasised is that Congress policy in this respect is not indiscriminately against forming ministries, that it all depends on local circumstances and that Mr. Khanna has made it clear how in certain circumstances the ministry may have to resign again

Mr. Amery, attempting to show how different the Frontier Province was from others, remarked that the fact that the Congress Government in the province "was suporting war effort was an encouraging sign" but that "the conditions in that purely Muslim province are essentially local and different from other parts of India". The reference to the Muslim population of the province is perhaps intended to suggest that this communal feature was most responsible for the renewed support to war effort. But war effort cannot be graded on communal lines. The fact is that the political character of the Frontier Province was so much misrepresented by the enemies of the Congress that the people felt it necessary to demonstrate once again that they were wholeheartedly for the Congress. Nor is Congress against war effort. Indeed, it was to intensify that effort that Congress demanded real power in directing it. If its demand had been conceded the war situation on the Eastern front would have been much better now and there would have been much less scarcity and distress among the people. Mr. Khanna has warned those concerned that, if the demand is not conceded soon, the Frontier ministry will again feel constrained to resign.

A notable feature of the debate on Mr. Amery's motion in the Commons, extending for one more year the Governor's rule in the Section 93 provinces, was that almost all speakers representing all parties expressed concern at this extension of such rule year after year. Mr. Amery himself "shared the disappointment expressed in every quarter" over such motions. All speakers, including Mr. Amery, expressed the hope that Ministries would soon be revived. Mr. Godfrey Nicholson, a Conservative member, suggested that the Governors should not adopt "a passive attitude until the people come along and ask for the formation of government". Mr. Hugh Lawson of the Commonwealth Party went further and suggested "the desirability of consulting with the Indian political leaders now in prison". This was the most helpful suggestion to bring about the result which all desired. But Mr. Amery replied that some of the leaders "are being released and opportunities for consulting with those released or with those who have never been detained are continually occurring." In urgent and exceptional cases it may perhaps be expedient for the leaders who are free to come to some decision against those of the Working Committee even when the latter cannot meet. But it is undesirable to do so in every case, as if the Committee's wishes did not matter. It is much worse for Government to insist upon such a course without permitting the leaders in jail even to be interviewed with regard to such matters. World forces will soon enough compel Government to throw open the gates of its Bastilles. It will be more graceful to do so forthwith and more conducive to whatever settlement may yet be possible between India and Britain.

Frankly Speaking

Berlin Encircled

In a Special Order of the Day Marshal Stalin announces that Berlin has now been completely encircled by the Red Armies. Moreover, Russian troops have driven some twenty miles beyond the western outskirts. This means that the assurances of Goebbels about the imminent arrival of reserves from the west were no more than a propagandist promise or that the reserves are definitely too late. In any case the relief of Berlin, or rather the uncaptured half of it, is now impossible and Hitler's capital is irrevocably doomed. The Nazis know this and it is only their irrational, insane fanatism that they continue a fight which can result only in the complete and utter destruction, block by block and house by house, of a great and historic German city. It will, however, have one grim advantage. If Hitler has really been caught in Berlin his inevitable end will bring the end of the war nearer.

'Frisco And Palestine

Says a cable: "Mr. Emmanuel Celler, the Democratic representative from New York, who discussed the Zionist question with President Truman at the White House yesterday, told the press later that the President stands four square behind the late Mr. Roosevelt's pronouncement and would not deviate one iota from the Palestine plank in the Democratic Party." The plank provides, in blunt words, the conversion of Arab Palestine into a Jewish State. The World Security Organisation is meeting in an American City. The Zionists, as is well known, have won over an important section of American public men to their anti-Arab cause. And they have powerful supporters, like General Smuts, on the spot. It is inevitable that they will try to get the San Francisco Conference virtually to pronounce the doom of Arab Palestine. It is a pity India is not represented at the Conference so that her delegates could stand, with authority and firmness, foursquare with the Arabs.

Italian Offensive

In the spectacular developments in the Reich itself, the importance of General Mark Clark's offensive in northern Italy has tended to be obscured. It has been a disappointingly quiet front for many months. But the present operations can, if they continue satisfactorily, make up for that disappointment. The Fifth and the Eighth Armies have advanced rapidly to the Po and have now crossed it too. The Germans appear already to be disintegrating. In any case, it is quite a hopeful sign for the Allied forces that two German Generals have already been captured. And, as a supplement to the Allied offensive, the French have struck into Italy from the north-west. It is, therefore, quite possible that the battle for North Italy may, as a Rome despatch hopes, turn out to be one of the biggest German routs of the war. A victory in Italy will be important from another point of view, too. It will help in reducing the so-called mountain "Redoubt" more quickly.

Chinese Situation

Allied war leaders in the China theatre are reported to be meeting in Chungking in important conferences on the war against Japan. After the reduction of Okinawa and the capture of Rangoon the Chinese theatre will be the main scene of Allied operations. Moreover, realising this fact, the Japs have been trying to strengthen their strategic defences on the Chinese mainland by a number of significant offensives. All this has made such a conference necessary. But the more vital problem that faces China and Chungking is, to quote Mr. Churchill, the "extraordinarily complex" one of Kuomintang-Communist relations. Major-General Patrick Hurley has, as we noted the other day, arrived in Chungking on a mission of negotiating a compromise with the support and approval of the Big Three. We understand that the Soviet Ambassador to China has also returned to Chungking from Moscow. These are good portents and every friend of China will hope that they herald the materialisation of the unity which is so essential for the future of China.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

The best talkers are usually the poorest quitters.

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The beginning of a college course is frequently a hazy undertaking.

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Every mortal who is weighed in the balance is found wanting—something he doesn't need.

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A man's opinion of himself doesn't necessarily increase the circumference of his headgear.

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When a woman goes shopping the pitch of her voice depends on whether she is asking for silk or cotton.

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When a physician is unable to locate the cause of a patient's illness he proceeds to discover a new species of microbe.

SECURITY DEMAND ON SANGLI WEEKLY

SANGLI, April 26 (A.P.I.).

An order uneer the Sangli Press Emergency Powers Act has been served on Mr N E Vasgadeker, printer and publisher of a Marathi weekly of Sangli by the State Government demanding a security of rupees one thousand for publishing an article which was alleged to have tended "directly or indirectly to bring the Government of Sangli into contempt."

Mr. Vasgadekar has been asked to deposit the security within two weeks.

Bombay Fire And General Insurance Co., Ltd.

The Directors of the Bombay Fire & General Insurance Co. Ltd., submitted their report on the transactions of the Co. for the year ended 31st December 1944, in the general meeting of the Co. on 13th instant, from which the following extracts are given:—

Fire Revenue Account: Net Premiums after deduction of refunds and reinsurances amounted to Rs. 5,71,638-7-0 while Losses paid and outstanding were Rs. Rs. 1,69,744-10-9. The commission and Expenses of Management etc. amounted to Rs. 2,69,679-11-9 The Fire Fund stands at Rs. 3,01,819-3-0 being over 50 per cent of the net premium.

Marine Revenue Account: Net Premiums after deduction of refunds and reinsurances amounted to Rs. 4,63,246-1-6 while Losses paid and outstanding were Rs. 2,09,215-15-10.

Accident Revenue Account: Net Premiums after deduction of refunds and reinsurances amounted to Rs. 53,578-14-10 while Losses paid and outstanding were Rs. 23,370-4-0.

Profit and Loss Account: The total of incomes amounts to Rs. 2,11,230-13-2. Transferring from this amount sums of Rs. 47,801-11-9. After meeting taxes, etc., there remains a balance of Rs. 51,677-1-1 which has been carried forward to next year's account.

We have with the Reserve Bank of India securities of the face value of Rs. 3,70,000 towards the full amount of deposit required under the Insurance Act.

Stay Your Hand Till Advent Of National Govt.

Indian Merchants' Chief Criticises Delhi Statement On Industrial Policy

The Committee of the Indian Merchants' Chamber met the Honourable Sir Ardeshir Dalal, Member for Planning and Development, Government of India, on Thursday, and had detailed discussion with him on matters relating to Government's Industrial Policy, Postwar planning, provisions of the Government of India Act relating to Commercial Safeguards, etc. Welcoming Sir Ardeshir, Mr. M. A. Master, the President made a pointed reference to the anxiety caused in commercial circles by the Government statement on industrial policy. In the course of his speech he said:

"It is stated that the statement contains the provisional decisions of the Government of India at this stage and that they will consult the Provinces and the leading Indian States before coming to a final decision on the various vital matters referred to in the statement. We are sure that with you, as the head of the Planning and Development Department, the Government of India will not be allowed to deprive the commercial community of this fundamental right, especially in matters which affect them vitally and permanently.

It is axiomatic that it is common ground between the Government and the people that there should be rapid industrialisation of the country to the fullest extent possible. The crucial question, however, is as to how this industrialisation is to be promoted and achieved. It is proposed by the Government that some twenty key industries should be brought under the control of the Central Government. Several of these industries are to be nationalised, provided adequate private capital is not forthcoming and it is regarded as essential in the national interests to promote them. It is difficult to understand why automobiles, iron and steel, etc., are included in these industries, when the iron and steel has achieved efficiency and economy which have been recognised on all hands and when automobiles have got all the private capital that that industry needs.

PARALLEL OWNERSHIP

Another principle which has been enunciated in regard to the nationalisation of industries is the parallel owning and running of certain industries of national importance both by the State as well as by the people, i.e., private enterprise. It is stated that shipbuilding and the manufacture of locomotives and boilers could be run both by the State as well as by private capitalists. It will be appreciated that private enterprise cannot claim to have the same influence and the same financial resources as the State will possess. It will, therefore, be difficult for the private enterprise to maintain its own position in the running of the same industry as will be run by the State in competition with it. Moreover, it will be necessary to ascertain whether there will be real economic scope for the running of such industries side by side by the State and the private enterprise. Have the Government inquired whether several shipbuilding yards for building the ships both for the navy of supply and the navy of defence could be run as economic units in this country?

INDUSTRIES AS A SOURCE OF REVENUE

One further ground advanced in the statement in justification of the State running certain industries is the element of tax when it is more predominant than the profit element and when it is necessary and convenient for the State to run those industries. This, to our mind, is a fine paraphrase of the suggestion made by the Finance Member in his last Budget Speech that the State may own industries "as a source of additional revenue." We have always thought that it is on the ground of service in its larger sense that the State could claim to enter the field of industry but we cannot be a party to the policy which the Government might adopt to enter that field merely for the purpose of swelling the revenues which they would collect from the people.

The following observation of Mr. Churchill, namely,

"If we are to recover from the merciless exactions of the war, it can only be by a large release from the necessary bonds and controls which war conditions have imposed upon us"

will be noted with interest. The principle which have been provisionally enunciated by the Government of India in regard to the role of the State in the future industrial development of this country are bound to impose an unnatural and undesirable restraint on the initiative of private enterprise to plan for its place in the future development of the industries in India.

While the Government of India wants to plant the banner of State enterprise in the field of industry, Mr. Churchill, as the Prime Minister of England, has determined to continue to "fly the flag of free enterprise" at the head of the main mast of British Industries. It is not difficult to imagine what an unprecedented drive and momentum this dynamic lead of a dynamic personality must have given to the cause of private enterprise in Great Britain and it will be crystal clear to all concerned what a contrast this attitude will create between the position of the British Industrialist in England and the Indian industrialist in India.

While we realise that as a matter of larger national policy, it would be necessary for the State to own Defence industries and certain public utility undertakings like Railways, it is not at all necessary to contemplate any programme of State ownership of and participation in basic industries of the type referred to in the Government statement. There is no reason to suppose that private capital would not be forthcoming for that purpose. On the other hand we are convinced that it is the duty of Government to create conditions favourable for the development of such industries under private aegis and by promise of assistance and support facilitate the free flow of private capital in those directions.

WANTED FULL INDIAN CONTROL

Another important issue which has been raised in the statement is the question regarding the management of the industries owned by the State. Two courses are suggested: the possibility of management through private agency for limited periods or operation through public corporations. The statement does not make it clear whether these private agencies or public corporations will consist entirely of the nationals of the country. It is pertinent to ask this question, because even in answer to a question, whether the Government would agree to transfer to the nationals of the country, and not to non-nationals, such industries as run by the State, when they are to be transfered to private enterprise, you, Sir, were pleased to remark that it might not be quite possible to take up that attitude inasmuch as it would constitute a policy of expropriation. May we be permitted to tell you, in all humility, that the commercial community cannot share your view in this matter? They are of the considered opinion that industrialisation of India can only mean development of industries owned, controlled and managed by the nationals of the country. We shall, however, thank you to kindly enlighten us as to what the real position and intentions of the Government in this matter are.

Many other important points affecting the establishment as well as the working of the industries have been mentioned in the statement. For instance, it is proposed that private industrial enterprise will be encouraged by the guarantee of a minimum dividend on capital or an undertaking to meet revenue losses for a fixed number of years. It is also suggested that the State may take part in industrial undertakings either by subscribing a share of its capital or by making loans. It is not clear, however, from the summary as to under what conditions and for what industries the Government propose to give such assistance. Another vital condition which the Government propose to lay down is that neither the starting of new factories nor the expansion of existing ones will be allowed to be made without a licence. Here also the summary hardly makes it clear as to why the expansion of existing industries could only be made with the permission of the Government. These are matters of vital importance and the proposals set forth in the statement of the Government are fraught with serious implications and far-reaching consequences. It is essential that the Government should take the commercial community fully into their confidence as to why the Government have proposed these drastic changes. Whatever, however, the merits of the proposals may be, the commercial community are not prepared to allow the acquisition of such wide powers by the present irresponsible Government as will enable them to put these proposals into operations. Execution of such proposals, even if they are endorsed by the country, can be effectively made in the true interests of India only by a National Government responsible to the people. The statement adds that the arrangement visualised by the Government will have no long-range constitutional implications but will remain in operation so long as the present constitution lasts. On a careful review of the whole situation, we are convinced that it is in the interests of India that no action should be taken now which could only remain in operation so long as the present constitution lasts.

At any rate, it is singularly inopportune that such a statement of policy should have been outlined at a moment like the present when questions relating to the future constitutional changes in the country are understood to be under active discussion and negotiations. At all events, it is our opinion that if the doctrine of State-ownership of industries is to have a larger sway on Government's programme for the future, the process of industrialisation, instead of being accelerated, will, indeed, receive a serious set-back.

C. P. M. REJECTS POLICE PLEA TO PUT FETTERS ON PURDY IN COURT

Says Accused Entitled To Same Physical Freedom Of Movement As Any Other Person

The Court of Mr. Oscar Brown, Chief Presidency Magistrate, was crowded to capacity when Dr. Murray Gow Purdy, the undertrial whose escapades have made history, came limping to face his trial, when the case was called up on Thursday afternoon. Dr. Purdy's right eye was bloodshot but he looked immaculate in his clean white clothes.

At the outset, Sir Hormazdiyar P. Dastur, appearing for the Crown submitted that the case be postponed to June 10, as the High Court had not yet passed orders on the accused's application for transfer of the case.

Sub-Inspector Khan of the Bombay C.I.D then made an application to the Court, requesting that permission might be granted to impose fetters upon the accused.

S.-I. Khan said that Dr. Purdy, who is an undertrial, had on two occasions attempted to escape from custody. Once he escaped from the Wayside Inn, near the Museum, where the Police Officer who was escorting him took him for lunch. On the second occasion he, along with other fellow prisoners made a daring attempt to escape from the Arthur Road Jail. This was on April 22. It was a well-organised affair and was frustrated only by the timely intervention of the police.

PURDY'S STATEMENT

Dr. Purdy opposing the C.I.D. Officer's application observed: "I wonder, whether in a fettered country like this, an extra man in fetters would make any difference. They have deliberately and for a long time tried to put me in fetters and I believe that the Commissioner of Police actually met a Presidency Magistrate to ask him whether I could be produced in Court in fetters or not. The Commissioner of Police has been after this for a long time. A number of men in the jail have been mercilessly beaten, long after they were captured, presumably with the object of punishing them doubly or trebly. I oppose this application on the ground that it is a mediaeval custom which civilised countries do not practise. If the British Indian Government insists upon such a thing, it is for them to do it. I have never endeavoured to escape with force and fetters will not alter my situation."

When the Magistrate inquired whether the police wanted Purdy to remain in Court in fetters, Inspector Quilter, to whom the question was directed, replied that the police deemed it necessary to resort to this expedient as Purdy had proved to be a dangerous undertrial.

Dr. Purdy addressing the Court further stated: "There is nothing I can say which can prevent this mediaeval custom from being reinstated on me in this Twentieth Century."

The Magistrate in passing orders remarked: "This is an application filed by the C.I.D. seeking my permission for bringing the accused in fetters to the Court for trial. The ground on which it is based is that the accused, Murray Gow Purdy, escaped from custody on two occasions. Rule 1065 of the Jail Manual states that fetters cannot be imposed on any prisoners unless the Jail Authorities find that the prisoner is dangerous. If in any exceptional case a prisoner is so dangerous that it would be unsafe to produce him in Court without fetters the police should make an application to the Court. S.-I. Khan brings the case under that paragraph (rules). He considers the prisoner to be dangerous. Purdy objects to the application.

MAGISTRATE IMPRESSED

"I am impressed by his arguments though not on the grounds on which they are based. I, therefore, direct the Superintendent of the Jail, that Purdy shall appear before me, not in fetters, but the Superintendent can make any arrangements in jail for the safe custody of the accused. While the accused is in jail he may take such measures as are expedient, but not in my Court. The accused in this Court is entitled to the same physical freedom of movement and action as any other person. I, therefore reject the application."

Purdy, with his usual inimitable smile bowed to the Court after the decision and limpingly walked out with the reinforced police escort.

Two Villages Cease To Exist

The village of Rajurgadgada, in the Igatpuri taluka of Nasik District, ceased to exist as a separate village on April 19, since when it has formed part of Sanjegaon village.

Nimtale village, in the Shirpur taluka of West Khandesh district, also ceased to exist as a separate village on April 19, when it became part of Ajnad, also in Shirpur taluka.

"Hybrid State Capitalism"

Gandhiji Unwilling To Express Opinion On Delhi's Latest

MAHABLESHWAR, April 26 (U.P.I.).

Enquiries at the Morarji Castle this morning about Mahatma Gandhi's reaction to the proposals of the Government of India to nationalise the key industries indicate that the Mahatma is not inclined to favour the proposals. He, however, appears unwilling to express any opinion thereon at present.

The general opinion at the Morarji Castle appears to be that an attempt is being made by Government to set up a hybrid type of state capitalism.

Mr. C. Rajagopalachariar is likely to arrive here shortly to see Mahatma Gandhi.

Roy Congratulates Govt.

NEW DELHI, April 26 (A.P.I.): The industrial policy announced by the Government of India has been characterised as "an apparently progressive policy which may help the establishment of Fascism" by Mr. M. N. Roy in a statement released to the Press.

After congratulating the Government of India for "abandoning the principle of 'laissez faire' in favour of State initiative and control", Mr. Roy tries to reveal some "loopholes" and asserts that "legal and administrative controls, visualised in the policy, will not be effective unless the entire structure of the State is thoroughly democratised."

Mr. Roy further says, "The desire to raise the standard of living of the people has quietly disappeared. The policy may very well help the rich to get richer at the cost of the people."

Asking the Government to give labour an equal share in the framing of the industrial policy, Mr. Roy concludes by saying that if the Government has the object of promoting popular welfare, "they should take the co-operation of the democratic elements which are at present completely excluded from its higher councels."

CUT IN SORT II RICE

From Sunday, April 29, Sort II rice will be obtainable by ration card and permit holders in Bombay City and the Bombay Suburban District upto a maximum of 1/2 of their rice ration or 1/4 of their total ration.

The Government has been compelled thus to limit the consumption of Sort II rice with a view to conserving the existing and insight stocks for the remainder of the season.

Two New Nursing Colleges

Two new Colleges of Nursing are to be set up in Bombay Province, one at Satara and the other at Broach. The Government of Bombay has sanctioned their establishment as an experimental measure for two years. The new Colleges are intended to be preliminary training schools for the hospitals which are recognised by the Bombay Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors' Council as centres for training nurses. At the Satara College, the instruction will be in Marathi and at Broach it will be in Gujarati. Each College will train 15 students at each three-months' course, that is, 60 students a year.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT

Advance expectations were that the official Indian delegation will play a major role at the conference.

The Indian delegates, it was said, are expected to occupy a place comparable to the roles they have played at other conferences.

—San Francisco Report.

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Mr. Sorensen, we notice, is going to ask the Secretary of State for India what is the status of India at the forthcoming San Francisco Conference.

It will be the status of the India of the Secretary of State's. In other words it will be a status that passeth all understanding.

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A Karachi message reports that Sir Francis Mudie, Home Member, Government of India, has returned from Home.

More Ordinances?

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Sir Areshir Dalal, Planning Member, Government of India, has cleared some of the misunderstandings caused by the original summary of the Government communique on industrial policy.

And as a result, it appears that the communique is not what it was.

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According to a Calcutta report, Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, the Congress President, receives seven or eight newspapers daily in his "special jail" at Bankura.

We envy the President's reading capacity.

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"We represent the overwhelming majority of all mankind"—President Truman radioing to Frisco delegates.

"We" certainly do. But what are "we" going to do about the overwhelming majority of "our" constituents the peoples of Asia and Africa?

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President Truman condemned recourse to "bombs and bayonets", because then "we will be forced to accept the fundamental philosophy of our enemies that 'might is right'."

"We" need not when there is the most acceptable philosophy of "our" friends that "possession is right" and that each must hold what is his.

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Mr. Stettinius, we learn was "an alert and smiling figure when he walked on to the flood-lit stage of the Opera House for the opening of the great United Nations Conference."

We earnestly hope he will be the same alert and smiling figure when he walks on to the flood-lit stage for the closing of the great United Nations Conference.

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POLAND NOT A "SIDE ISSUE"

—Headline.

At the moment it is a dangerously off-side issue.

Britain To Wipe Out India's Credits By Shifting Rupee Ratio?

Sindhi Firm's Chief In London Sees Through Anderson's Game

LONDON, April 26 (U.P.I.): Indian business circles in London are very intrigued at Sir John Anderson's reference to Britain's overseas debts in his budget speech, in which he contends that these liabilities should not be treated as ordinary commercial debts because Britain has incurred these obligations "as an expression of burden of war for help and indeed on behalf of most of the holders of the balances." As nearly a third of these debts are owed to India, Indian businessmen here are wondering whether this is the first step towards the preparation of the public mind for repudiation of Britain's liabilities.

Their reaction was summed up by Mr. Ramchandran, head of an important Sindhi firm, Messrs. K. Chellaram and Sons, who told the United Press of India":

"Although Sir John Anderson's statement was non-committal and vague, it is clear what the game is. We must tell Britain that India's credits have been accumulated by the contribution of Indian toil, tears, blood and sweat, and it would be intolerable if Britain tried to wriggle out of her commitments."

Mr. Ramchandran referred to the strong rumours current in the city that the British Government is trying to shift the rupee ratio from 18d to 6d., thus automatically wiping out two-third of the India's sterling credits. "This", he declared, "would be a dishonourable practice."

Mr. Ramchandran further pointed out that since the lifting of ban on exports Britain had been exporting goods to India and other colonies and charging fabulous prices. "All this financial juggling on the part of Britain is a hint of things to come. It is imperative that everyone in India should back the stand taken up by the Congress that India's credits must be repaid unconditionally and in full", Mr. Ramchandran concluded.

"Mahavir Jayanti" Celebrations

The Hirabag Lecture Hall was packed to its capacity when Jains belonging to the Digamber, Shwetamber and Sthanakwasi sects celebrated the 2472nd Birthday of Lord Mahavir, the last Tirthankar of the Jains under the presidency of Sjt. Nagindas T. Master, ex-Mayor of Bombay. The various speakers and poets dwelt in detail on the ethics of Jainism, specially the Ahimsa (Non-violence) and Truth which the Lord preached. Mr. Motichand G. Kapadia, solicitor, emphasised upon translating those teachings into actions not only by Indians but all human beings, specially the West which has shed blood of millions of innocent human beings.

A resolution requesting the Baroda and India Governments to sanction Mahavir Jayanti as a public holiday was unanimously passed.

Federal Court Dismisses Bomb Case Appeal

NEW DELHI, April 26 (A.P.I.): In the Federal Court today, their Lordships dismissed the appeals of Tumati Yogaanandacheryulu and others and of Kalavakolanu Sobhanadri and others against the judgment of the Madras High Court, convicting them to terms of imprisonment ranging from eight months to seven years under the Explosive Substances Act.

TRUMAN OPENS 'FRISCO TALKS WITH STIRRING MESSAGE OF PEACE

Justice Must Remain Greatest Power On Earth

WASHINGTON, April 25, (Reuter): President Truman, welcoming the delegates to the United Nations conference at San Francisco, said in a radio speech tonight, "at no time in history has there been a more important conference or a more necessary meeting than this one in San Francisco which you are opening today. On behalf of the American people I extend to you the heartiest welcome.

Appealing to the delegates to rise above personal interests and adhere to principles which benefit all mankind the President declared: "With ever increasing brutality and destruction modern warfare, if unchecked, would ultimately crush all civilisation. We still have a chance between the alternatives of the continuation of the international chaos or the establishment of a world organisation for the enforcement of peace".

Mr. Truman declared his complete confidence in the members of the United States delegation to the conference and said the conference owes its existence in large part to the vision, foresight and determination of President Roosevelt.

"We must make certain", he said "that another war will be impossible. We represent the overwhelming majority of all mankind. We hold a powerful mandate from our people We must prevent, if human mind, heart and hope can prevent it, a repetition of the disaster from which the entire world will suffer for years to come.

We must not continue to sacrifice the flower of our youth merely to check madmen who in every age plan world domination".

Mr. Truman recalled his address nine days ago to the United States Congress in which he said while the great states "have a special responsibility to enforce peace, their responsibility is based upon the obligations resting upon all States, large and small, not to use force in international relations except in defence of law. The responsibility of the great States is to serve and not dominate the peoples of the world".

"We fully realise to-day", he added "that victory in war requires a mighty united effort. Certainly victory in peace calls for and must receive an equal effort.

If our friendly policies should ever be considered we establish must be adequately prepared to meet any challenge.

We can no longer permit any Nation or group of Nations to attempt to settle their arguments with bombs and bayonets. We will be forced to accept the fundamental philosophy of our enemies that 'might makes right'.

We must once and for all reverse the order and prove by our acts conclusively that right has might. If we do not want to die together in war we must learn to live together in peace".

"It is not the purpose of this Conference to draft a Treaty of Peace in the old sense of that term. It is not our assignment to settle specific questions of territories, boundaries, citizenship and reparations.

The conference will devote its energies and its labours exclusively to the single problem of setting up an essential organisation to keep the peace. Justice remains the greatest power on earth. To that tremendous power alone will we submit.

Man has learned long ago that it is impossible to live unto himself. This same basic principle applies today to Nations. We were not isolated during the war. We dare not become isolated in peace."

STETTINIUS' OPENING SPEECH

American Secretary of State Mr. Edward Stettinius, was an alert and smiling figure when he walked on to the floodlit stage of the Opera House here for the opening of the great United Nations conference.

He introduced the conference's personal hosts—the Mayor of San Francisco, Mr. Roger Lapham and the Governor of California Mr. Earl Worren. After brief addresses of welcome, a short speech from Mr. Stettinius ended the session and the conference was formally adjourned.

The American Secretary of State, Mr. Edward R. Stettinius, speaking at the opening of the United Nations conference said: "In their purpose to build an enduring structure of world peace, the people of the United States believe they are firmly united with all the other United Nations.

They are united with large countries which have had to bear the main burden of winning victory over our common enemies. They are united with smaller countries, so many of which have suffered the agony and destruction of conquest—all because of the failure of peace loving peoples to unite in time against aggression before this war.

The vital national interests of each of the United Nations require that all of the United Nations work together to make peace and freedom secure. It is with this clear understanding of what realities demand of us that we fortify our high vision of a permanent structure of organised peace."

Mr. Stettinius said the former Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, told him last Sunday that he had profound faith that, whatever the difficulties, the labours of the Conference would be crowned with success. Mr. Stettinius added the hope that Mr. Hull's improving health would permit him to take part in the Conference later.

PROPOSAL REGARDING MANDATED ISLANDS

Following strong pressure from United States' Departments of War and Navy, the United States has decided to drop its proposal to place all mandated islands taken from Japan under "international trusteeship", I am reliably informed, says Reuter's special correspondent, San Francisco.

The United States delegation will, it is expected here, advocate to the conference committee drafting the principles on which mandated territories will be held that a distinction be made between colonial mandated areas and areas essential to the defence of peace and security.

Russia is reported to have indicated her sympathy towards the proposal that the United States should take over some Japanese mandated islands but to have reserved her position regarding the possibility of some of those being allocated to Russia for the defence by Russia of her security in areas adjacent to Russia.

SAN FRANCISCO: The Foreign Ministers of Great Britain, the United States, the Soviet Union and China went into conference early today for a last minute review of plans for the San Francisco Conference. They met as representatives of the four sponsoring powers.

The fact that Mr. Soong, representing China, was present was taken as an indication that the Polish question was not under discussion.

Petain Trial Postponed

French Ministry Of Justice Contradicts Report Of His Having Crossed Border

PARIS, April 25 (Reuter): The trial of Marshal Petain, fixed for May 17 has been postponed to a date to be fixed later.

Warrants for the arrest of persons accompanying Petain across Switzerland have been issued, including one for the arrest of Admiral Louis Blehaut, Secretary for Navy and Colonies under the Vichy Government.

The reports that Marshal Petain has crossed the French border from Switzerland are incorrect, Reuter was told by the Ministry of Justice today. He was still in Switzerland this morning, according to well-informed circles. Formal accusations against Petain are now prepared and he will be charged with treason nd collaboration with the enemy—a charge which makes him liable to the death penalty.

According to a newspaper of the Paris Press, the accusation will allege relations with the secret terrorist organisation known as Cagoulards, which before 1940 conspired against the Third Republic. It will also deal with alleged acts by Petain to seize power and his alleged violation of the Franco-British Pact not to sign a separate peace with Germany.

OTHER ALLEGATIONS

The other allegations are "placing France's national economy at the service of the enemy" and payments of milliards of Francs in "reparations."

According to the correspondent of the newspaper, 'Paris Soir', Himmler himself took the initiative in sending Petain back. The journal 'Le Monde', warns against differences which may be caused by the trial and says Nazi Leaders hoping to aggravate such differences authorised and organised the Marshal's journey to Switzerland.

NO REFERENCE TO PETAIN

LONDON: The Paris radio tonight broadcast a speech by General De Gaulle that discussed France's economic difficulties but omitted any reference to Petain.

No Rationing Of Cloth Without Consulting Public Bodies

City Fathers Urge Govt. To Provide Adequate Clothing At Economic Rates And At Early Date

A resolution requesting Government to take suitable measures so as to make adequate supply of clothing available to the public at economic prices at an early date, and again requesting Government not to embark upon schemes of rationing of cloth without consulting public bodies, was passed, after nearly three hours' discussion, by the Bombay Municipal Corporation, at its meeting on Thursday. Dr. Alban D'Souza, the Mayor, was in the chair.

When discussion on the resolution was resumed on Thursday, Mr. S. K. Patil, leader of the Congress Party, referred to Government's callous disregard of the representations and resolutions of the Corporation in matters affecting the public. He thought that Government was responsible for creating black-markets. He took exception to some of the measures recommended in the amendment moved by Mr. Mirajkar: measures like import of cloth, stoppage of export and rationing of cloth. He felt that sufficient instruments of power had been given to Government and, with all the power and police at its back, Government was still impotent to resolve the crisis. Even on a simple question of distributing Charkhas, Government was not only indifferent but looked upon it as dangerous. Some fifty years ago, there was more than a crore of Charkhas in the country. Even at this stage, Charkhas could be distributed. He recommended the resolution to the whole-hearted acceptance of the House.

Dr. S. P. Mehta thought that the resolution was a wishy-washy one and criticised the Congress Party for being inhuman to the interests of the people.

Mr. S. A. Sabavala, supporting the resolution suggested the setting up of an All-India Council on a rational basis to enable introduction of rationing of cloth to the whole country. He suggested that the Council should include representatives of all shades of opinion, including representatives of the Corporation and of Labour. On the advice of the representatives, rationing, on an All-India basis, could be introduced, with Government itself opening cloth shops. He criticised Dr. S. P. Mehta and Mr. Jamnadas Mehta for making speeches calculated to support Government. According to him, the shortage of cloth was not of the present duration. It started from 1941-42. At that time, Government was asleep with its policy of 'laissez faire'. It was innocent of all knowledge, innocent of organisation itself. But it was culpable innocence. There was export of cloth. Black-markets, of course, existed. But human nature was not perfect. To his mind, the chief thing was defective was distribution of cloth.

Mr. M. V. Donde, criticising the amendment, said that the resolution was not as emphatic as it should be. It was, however, harmless. And, therefore, it should be carried unanimously. He pointed out that commercial interests on such issues were inevitably merged with Government.

Mr. Sunderdas Morarjee criticised the present method of distributing 'dhoties' and sarees and said that it had led to extensive black-marketing, openly carried on by hawkers on road-sides, and to corruption.

Dr. G. R. A. Sheikh wanted all the present shops to be wound up and suggested the setting-up of Government cloth-shops. He urged an early introduction of cloth rationing.

Replying to the debate, Mr. Jamnadas Dwarkadas said that it was a superstition to say that the purchasing power of the people had gone up. The argument looked like an echo of Sir Akbar Hydari's voice, after his return from England. It was being repeated like a gramophone-record. He regreatted the repetition of the argument and said that it was the fabulous wealth which had gone into the pockets of the black-marketeers that was responsible for more consumption of cloth.

Mr. Mirajkar's seven-point' amendment was rejected by the House and the resolution was accepted.

Fire Brigade Officers And Ships In Docks

The right of officers of the Bombay Fire Brigade to board ships berthed in the Bombay docks area is clarified in the City of Bombay Municipal (Second Amendment) Act, published in the 'Bombay Government Gazette' of April 26.

The City of Bombay Municipal Act of 1888, enables the officer in charge of the Fire Brigade to enter any premises for the purpose of putting out a fire; but the report of the Commission of Inquiry appointed by the Government of India to inquire into the Bombay Explosions indicated a doubt as to whether the word "premises" in the Act of 1888 can be interpreted to include ships berthed in the docks. With a view to removing doubt about the authority and responsibility of the Chief or other Officer in charge of the Fire Brigade to enter ships in dock areas for the purpose of fighting fire on them, the Act has now been amended.

"CRUEL TREATMENT OF 300 MILLIONS"

Canadian M.P. Suggests Delegation For India

QUEBEC, April 26. (Reuter): The Independent member of the Quebec Legislature, M. Rene Chaloult, has suggested that the proposed Canadian Parliamentary Delegation to visit Germany to observe Nazi crimes should also go to India to study "the cruel treatment imposed on 300 million Indians".

The delegation, he said, should also visit Poland to witness "the shocking crimes committed by our Allies, Communist Russians, against Catholic Poles".

ALLIES CAPTURE TOUNGOO

KANDY, April 26 (A.P.I.)—Today's S.E.A.C. communique says:

FOURTEENTH ARMY FRONT: British and Indian troops who have advanced 163 miles along the axis of the main north-south road and railway from Meiktila have captured Toungoo, an important Japanese base, and have occupied the surrounding group of airfields The advance southwards from Toungoo continues and is making good progress.

East of Thazi, on the Japanese route of withdrawal into the Shan States, our troops have encountered Japanese opposition.

Two Allied aircraft are missing in air operations.

"SUPER-FORTS" BOMB JAP AIRFIELDS

GAUM, April 26 (Reuter).—A communique from the Advanced Pacific Headquarters says: Two hundred and fifty Super Fortresses bombed Japanese airfields on Kyushu and Shikoku this morning at medium altitude in poor bombing weather. The blow was aimed at bases from which the Japanese attack the United States forces on Okinawa.

It was the first attack by Super Fortresses on Shikoku. While eleven airfields were chosen as targets it was stated that only eight were known to have been hit. Kyushu and Shikoku are the southern-most islands of the Japanese mainland).

ONE-FOURTH OF TOKYO HOUSES DEMOLISHED

LONDON, April 26 (Reuter).—The Japanese News Agency said today: "The indiscriminate bombing attacks by enemy planes have demolished a not inconsiderable portion of Tokyo. Five hundred and ten thousand houses have been demolished and the number of affliated citizens has reached a total of 2,100,000.

The figures of destruction equal one-quarter of all households in the capital."

AUSTRALIANS CAPTURE MAPRIK IN NEW GUINEA

MELBOURNE, April 26 (Reuter).—Australian troops in New Guinea have captured Maprik, key Japanese base south of the Torricelli mountains, it is announced in an Army statement here today.

Fresh Elections In Bengal?

CALCUTTA April 26 (A P I): The Government of Bengal have issued orders to all registering authorities (Preparation of Electoral Roll) to undertake the preparation of fresh electoral roll for all constituencies of the Bengal Legislative Assembly and the Bengal Legislative Council and to complete the same within six months, according to the "Hindustan Standard".

AMERICANS TAKE REGGIO & PARMA

ALLIED H.Q., ITALY, April 26 (Reuter).—United States Fifth Army troops are now north of Mantua, and have captured Italy Reggio and Parma on route nine. The Fifth Army troops pushed on north-west of the big captured Naval base of Spezia. The town of Aulla eleven miles inland from Spezia has fallen.

Italian Patriots Take Genoa And Milan

ROME, April 26 (Reuter).—Radio listeners here have heard broadcasts which appear to indicate that the Radio stations of Genoa and Milan in German-occupied Italy have fallen into the hands of patriots.

Another Radio station announced that Genoa has been "liberated" by Italian patriots, and the towns of Novara, Legnano, Gallarate and Castellanza, all within 25 miles of Milan have also been occupied by Patriots.

Patriots Capture Turin

LONDON, April 26 (Reuter).—The Swiss Radio reports that Partisans have liberated Turin, the biggest industrial city in Northern Italy after Milan.

Tito's Men Fighting In Fiume

ROME, April 26 (U.P.A.)—Marshal Tito's Yugoslav troops battled their way street by street deeper into the big port city of Fiume today and the Germans started blowing up port and military installations there preparatory to abandoning it, the Yugoslav military reported in a communique.

Commo Town Handed Over To Italian Patriots

LONDON April 26, (Reuter): The Swiss radio today reported that the Germans have handed over the administration of Commo town and Lake near the Swiss frontier to Italian Partisans

20 Security Prisoners In C. P. Released

JUBBULPORE, April 26, (U P I): Twenty security prisoners have been released from the Jubbulpore, Damoh, Seoni and Nagpur Jails.

Among them are two members of the C. L. Assembly, three members of the Provincial Legislative Assembly and two ex-members of the Forward Bloc.

It is understood that the Provincial Government is busy reviewing the cases of the remaining security prisoners numbering about 105, and will release about 20 more by the end of this month.

Madras Editor For 'Frisco'

MADRAS, April 26, (A P I)

Mr. S. Vecaraghavan, Editor of the 'Liberator' Madras has been informed by the Government of India of their willingness to arrange for transport facilities to him to proceed to San Francisco as one of the Indian press representatives. He has planned to leave for San Francisco shortly.

Nimbkar Meets A. I. T. U. C. Chief

CALCUTTA, April 26 (U.P.I.): Mr. R. S. Nimbkar, Labour Welfare Officer, Government of India, had a long discussion with Mr. M. K. Bose, President of the All-India Trade Union Congress, yesterday at the latter's residence when, it is understood, Mr. Nimbkar informed President that Prof. Adarkar was asked to prepare a draft report on maternity benefits, workmens' compensation, health insurance and unemployment insurance on a limited scale.

Mr. Nimbkar also met the press employees in the afternoon.

B. B. & C. I. R. Chief Accounts Officer Dead

BOMBAY, Thursday

Mr. K. C. Sreenivasan, Chief Accounts Officer and Financial Adviser to the B. B. & C. I. Railway died this evening at his residence at Pali Hill Bandra. Funeral will take place tomorrow at 8 a.m.

Jamnagar Bullion Valan Passes Safely

JAMNAGAR, April 25.

Yesterday after the general meeting of bullion exchange, 68 members protested in writing against the resolution, and today is clearance, which was not made till 5/30 p m because more than 35 leading members were absent after declaring their intention in writing before association that under protest against resolution they will not be present at clearance house and clearing should not be made. Association ordered clearance must be made amongst members present and odiya of absent members be produced to association. Situation most critical.

Later absent members of bullion exchange were present at clearing house and valan passed safely. Today general meeting is called to decide and settle critical circumstances arose in market.

Imperial Bank Of India

Statement of the Affairs of the Imperial Bank of India on the 20th April, 1945:—

LIABILITIES.

CAPITAL:—Rs. 5,62,50,000; Reserve Fund Rs 6,00,00,000; Fixed Deposit, Savings Bank, Current and other Accounts Rs 228,78,22,000; Sundries Rs. 1,25,88,000. Total Rs. 241,66,60,000.

ASSETS.

INVESTMENTS:—Government Securities Rs. 136,34,31,000; Other Authrised Investments Rs. 4,07,03,000; ADVANCES:—Loans Rs. 19,48,82,000; Cash Credits and Overdrafts Rs. 45,12,53,000; Bills Discounted and Purchased Rs. 4,59,08,000; Dead Stock Rs. 1,66,65,000; Sundries Rs. 1,20,53,000; CASH:—In hand and with the Reserve Bank of India Rs. 27,85,45,000; Balances with other Banks Rs. 1,32,40,000. Total Rs. 241,66,60,000.

LONDON WHEAT

London, April 25.

Wheat Rosario Santa Fe (New Crop) 52 Sept.-Oct. nominal, Wheat Australian (Bulk) unoffered, Wheat Australian (Bags) unoffered.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, April 25.

Rupee Paper 3-1/2 p c £72-1/2, Consols 2-1/2 p c £84, Conversion Loan 3-1/2 p c 1961 £106-1/4, War Loan 3-1/2 p c £104 Ex Div., Funding Loan 4 p c 1960/90 £113-3/4, Victory Bonds 4 p c £114, Chartered Bank of I. A. & China £12, Hongkong & Shanghai Bank (London Reg.) £88-1/2, National Bank of India £43-1/4.

JUSTICE POLLOCK HAD NO JURISDICTION TO ISSUE DEATH WARRANTS

Vacation Judge's Action Illegal, "Ultra Vires" And Void, Says Defence Council In Ashti And Chimur Cases

NAGPUR, April 26 (A.P.I.)—The counsel for defence in Chimur and Ashti cases filed today an application before the High Court, praying that the 'habeas corpus' application on which Justice Sir M. B. Niyogi and Mr. Justice Hemeon had given dissenting orders, should not be heard by Mr. Justice Renold Pollock.

The application 'inter alia' said "the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Pollock is at present a vacation judge and it is not known as to who will select the third judge. It is submitted with due respect that there will be some difficulty in the selection of such a judge."

The record discloses that two of the death warrants were actually issued by Mr. Justice Pollock as the review authority. The position he held under the repealed Ordinance was not that of a Judge but only that of a gentleman empowered to review the sentences. He had no jurisdiction even as a Judge to issue the two warrants that he did in respect of Ashti prisoners who have also applied under Section 491 Cr.P.C.'

"ILLEGAL"

It is humbly submitted that this action of Mr. Justice Pollock was entirely illegal, 'ultra vires' and void. The contention of applicants is that repealing the Ordinance has made no provision for issuing of death warrants, or in other words, for executing the death sentences.

It is further contended that the Provincial Government in trying to execute the death sentences was acting illegally and improperly and without any legal justification. Justice Pollock had acted without any legal authority in issuing the death warrants and in the opinion of the applicants, it is desirable in the interest of justice that he should not take upon himself the duty of pronouncing on the validity of the death warrants issued by the Sessions Judge of Wardha.

It is obvious to the applicants that if Justice Pollock could consider issuing of the death warrants by himself as a reviewing gentleman as legal, it is possible that he may hold that the death warrants issued by the Sessions Judge of Wardha had been legally issued.

It is this opinion which can be safely inferred from the action taken by Justice Pollock which will create an insurmountable difficulty in the way of his being the third Judge.

ON ITS MERITS

"The applicants beg to bring to the notice of the High Court the reason given by the Provincial Government through the Advocate-General in his application dated April 3 that the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Puranik who was a party to the issue of rule 'nisi' in these cases, would be deemed to entertain a desire that he should not hear the cases on merits. The ostensible reason underlying this application by the Advocate-General seems to be that, since Mr. Justice Puranik had heard the appeals from the convictions in these cases, his position should not be embarrassed in disposing of these applications under Section 491 Cr.P.C. If this was the reason for which a new bench was constituted by the intervention of Hon'ble the Chief Justice, the reason applies strongly to the case of Mr. Justice Pollock who had heard the cases on merits as a reviewing officer."

The applicants feel that, in case, unfortunately, Mr. Justice Pollock does not feel inclined to take the point of view of the applicants into consideration, the applicants may be permitted to move the Hon'ble the Chief Justice for a suitable order in this behalf. The applicants pray for sufficient time to enable them to do so and that suitable orders may be passed consistent with the interests of justice."

Bombay Fire And General Insurance

Chairman Surveys Company's Decade Of Progress

The Chairman addressing the Tenth Annual General Meeting of the Bombay Fire and General Insurance Co., Ltd., held on Friday the 13th April, said:

Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in submitting to you the Directors' Report, the audited statements of accounts and the Balance Sheet for the year ended 31st December, 1944. These have been in your hands for some time and with your permission I will take them as read.

With this report the Company has completed a decade of its existence. It can now be asserted with confidence that its foundations are firmly laid and we hope to see the Company continue to progress rapidly year by year.

I do not think it will be out of place to repeat the warning I had sounded two years ago about the glut of new floatations. The war in Europe is now coming to a successful close and it would not be very long before normal times are back with us. This will entail reduction in amounts to be insured due to shrinkage in commodity values with consequent drop in premium income. Let us hope that full restraint necessary will be exerted by all concerned to avoid a scramble for the then available business so as to keep the expense ratio to a reasonable figure.

No report would this year be complete without making a mention of the terrible devastation and loss of life caused by the occurrence of 14th April, 1944, in the Bombay Dock area. Looking to our large commitments in the locality affected by the explosion, your Company's share of contribution, as that of many other Companies, was a heavy one; but I am happy to say that by virtue of the special reinsurance arrangements which this Company has been able to make, the impact of the incident on this particular date fell more lightly upon its shoulders than otherwise might have been the case.

I now proceed to analyse the business of our Company in the usual way.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

The net premiums have slightly decreased from Rs. 5,94,153-3-2 in 1943 to Rs. 5,71,638-7-0 in 1944. This decrease is mostly due to the failure of the cotton crop in many parts of the country due to untimely rains. The losses paid and outstanding were Rs. 1,69,744-10-9 (being 29.69%). Commission and Expenses of Management are Rs. 2,68,077-12-0 (being 46.90%). The Fire Fund has been increased to Rs. 3,01,819-3-0. The carry forward to Profit and Loss Account is Rs. 84,056-2-0.

ACCIDENT DEPARTMENT

The net premiums amounted to Rs. 53,578-14-10, while the losses paid and outstanding were Rs. 20,370-4-0 (being 38.02%). Commission and Expenses of Management amounted to Rs. 29,575-6-10 (being 55.20%). A sum of Rs. 1,223-9-8 has been transferred from the Profit and Loss Account and the Accident Fund now stands at Rs. 22,931-9-3.

MARINE DEPARTMENT

The Marine account again shows a very considerable increases over the previous year. The net premiums being Rs. 4,63,246-1-6 against Rs. 3,55,490-4-11 earned last year. The losses paid and outstanding were Rs. 2,09,215-15-10 (being 45.16%). Commission and Expenses of Management amounted to Rs. 2,43,977-6-2 (being 52.66%). After transferring a sum of Rs. 47,601-11-9 from the Profit and Loss Account, the Marine Fund has been allowed to stand at Rs. 3,24,272-3-3.

During the year under review a new branch of the Company was opened in Lucknow. The Directors have every hope that this new connection will prove equally successful in course of time as in the case of our other Branches.

The Directors take this opportunity of thanking all the Officers and staff, Branch Managers, Agents and Brokers for their co-operation and devoted services to the Company

I now beg to move the following resolution:—

"That the Directors' Report, "audited accounts and Balance "Sheet for the year ended 31st "December, 1944, which have "been printed and circulated "to the members be taken as "read, approved and adopted."

"Progressives" To Celebrate Pherozeshah's Centenary

The Progressive Group, will hold a public function to commemorate the Centenary of Sir Pherozeshah Mehta at the Pherozeshah Mehta Gardens at 7-15 p.m. on Saturday 28th instant.

The city's most prominent citizens, led by the Mayor of Bombay, will grace the occasion with their presence and deliver addresses. Among those who will participate are Sir Chimanlal Setalvad, Sir Homi Mody, Mr. B. G. Kher, Mr. Hasan Premji and Mr. B. G. Horniman.

Acquitted Of Murder

NEW DELHI, April 26, (A P I): Agreeing with the assessors' unanimous verdict of not guilty Mr D Falshaw District and Sessions Judge, Delhi, today acquitted Haider Abbas, a former Daftri in the Supply Department, Government of India, who was charged with the murder of conductor R. Codd.

Conductor Codd, who was working in the General Headquarters was found dead in his room in a bungalow at Asoka Road, New Delhi. The discovery was made when a servant brought tea in the morning.

Haider Abbas pleaded not guilty and said he had acted in self-defence.

CUT OUT AND KEEP

REVISED PRICES OF FOUNTAIN PENS AND FOUNTAIN PEN INKS.

The maximum retail selling prices of the following varieties of imported fountain pens and fountain pen inks have been revised as below under the Hoarding and Profiteering Prevention Ordinance (Vide Notification of the Government of India, Department of Industries and Civil Supplies, No. 22 (61)—AP (A)/44 of April 21, 1945). The revised prices come into effect from May 1, 1945.

FOUNTAIN PENS.

	Rs.	As.		Rs.	As.
Parker 51-Gold cap	63	0	Waterman No. 32-C	16	8
Parker 51-Silver cap	53	0	Relief No. 2	12	0
Parker 51-Stainless steel cap	53	0	Relief No. 1	8	0
Parker Major Vacuum	37	0	Swan No. 1	12	8
Parker Major Vacuum Debutante	37	0	Swan No. 2	15	0
Parker Junior Vacuum	21	0	Swan No. S.M. 200	9	8
Parker Junior Vacuum Sub-Debutante	21	0	Swan Visofil	9	8
Parker Sac. Duofold	12	8	Conway Stewart No. 286	11	8
Sheaffers Crest Triumph	62	0	Conway Stewart No. 759	8	0
Sheaffers Triumph	52	0	Conway Stewart No. 475	7	8
Sheaffers Statesman	40	0	Mentmore Diploma	9	0
Sheaffers Sovereign	35	0	Mentmore Supreme	7	2
Sheaffers Lady Sheaffer	35	0	Mentmore Golden Platignum	3	4
Sheaffers Valiant	40	0	Raja No. 04	7	0
Sheaffers Vigilant	35	0	Raja No. 03	7	0
Sheaffers Admiral	21	0	Raja No. 1 liver Filling	7	0
Sheaffers Defender	21	0	Valentine No. 04	12	0
Sheaffers Milady	21	0	Onoto No. 5600/C	16	0
Sheaffers Craftsman	14	8	Onoto No. 4601/C	15	0
Sheaffers Commandant	16	8	Onoto No. 1332/C	11	8
Eversharp Skyline Plain Cap	13	8	Burnham No. 15F	13	8
Eversharp Skyline Gold filled Cap	27	0	Burnham No. 232/C	7	8
Eversharp fifth Avenue (Gents)	42	0	Burnham No. 208/C	5	8
Eversharp fifth Avenue (Ladies)	42	0	Savoy	9	0
Waterman No. 32-B	17	0	Strand	7	0
			Cheap unspecified fountain pens (imported).	2	0

NOTE.—(i) Wholesalers shall allow 12 1/2 per cent. discount on the maximum prices to retailers, freight to be paid by the consignor.

FOUNTAIN PEN INKS.

	Rs.	As.	Ps.		Rs.	As.	Ps.
Parker Quink 2 oz.	0	14	6	Other imported inks in 2 oz. packing	0	8	0
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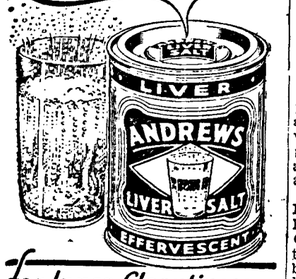

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Merle Oberon as the notorious Georges Sand, and Cornel Wilde as Chopin in "A Song to Remember".

Regal

"When Irish Eyes Are Smiling".
Stars: June Haver, Dick Haymes.
Director: Gregory Rotoff.
Type of Film: Gay Musical Comedy.

Here is a pleasing musical telling the life story of Ernest R. Ball whose songs such as "Mother Machree" "Boy of Mine" and the one which gives this picture its title won him universal fame as a composer of ballads. Dick Haynes, in the role of Ball, is youthful and charming, and the possessor of a very pleasant voice. June Haver is unimpressive. Monty Woolley plays a producer in the best Woollan manner which is becoming monotonously its frequent repetition.

The film's popularily is due to the perennial appeal of its songs.

Metro: 2nd Rnu

"Bathing Beauty" (M.G.M.)
Stars: Red Kkelton, Esther Williams.
Type of Film: Comedy.

A song-writer and the girl he loves are parted due to a frame-up arranged by a Broadway producer (Basil Rathbone) who feels that the affair is keeping the composer away from his work. The song-writer follows the girl jo a New Jersey Co. institution which he promptly joins. There is where the fun starts. Skelton and Esther Williams play the chief roles.

Here is a film for those who like fun.

Eros

"The Thief of Bagdad".
Stars: June Duprez, John Justin, Sabu, Conard Veidt.
Director: Alexander Korda.
Type of Film: Arabian Fantacy.

Many grown-ups love fairy-tales. If you are one of them, this film will appeal to you. It is a super-fantasy which parades before you astonished gaze a flying horse, a magic-carpet, a genie, a life-size mechanical doll and various magical effects.

The story tells of a young ruler of Bagdad (Justin) who is deprived of his power by the machinations of his Grand Vazier (Veidt). He passes through many vicissitudes as a blind beggar who is constantly helped by his friend—the thief of Bagdad, played by Sabu. In the process of winning back his throne, he also wins the hand of a princess (June Duprez).

It is most irritating to find this Western cast of players mispronouncing Eastern names. The American educated Sabu is no exception.

ON WITH THE SHOW!

Only one new picture graces the local screen this week. The remaining are either 'repeat' or 'return' pictures, which, all the same, offer a considerable variety of fare.

New Empire: 2nd Run

"Together Again".
Stars: Irene Dunne, Charles Boyer.
Director: Charles Vidor.
Type of Film: Romantic Comedy.

Irene Dunne who can play both tragedy and comedy with skill, enacts a light role in this film. She portrays a small-town Mayoress who falls in love with a New York sculptor (Boyer) who tries to mould her to his desires. The story teems with hilarious situations.

It is nice to see Boyer and Dunne together again. Charles Coburn is amusing as the father-in-law of the Mayoress.

Excelsior: 1st Run

"Arsenic And Old Lace" (Warner Bros.)
Stars: Cary Grant, Priscilla Lane.
Director: Frank Copra.
Type of Film: Comedy Thriller.

Two old Brooklyn maids, well-versed in the art of murdering their male boarders, frolic though this unusual screen play. A newphew who suffers from the hallucination that he is "Teddy Roosevelt", aids their plans unwittingly. A second nephew, as mad as a hatter, turns up on the scene accompanied by a corpse! Yet another nephew helps to unravel the sorry scheme of things, being the only sane member of this morbid family.

The cast includes Peter Lorre and that consummate actor Raymond Massey.

June Haver in "Irish Eyes Are Smiling".

SUNDAY MORNING SHOWS.

METRO—10 a.m. "Bathing Beauty."
STRAND—10-30 a.m.: "Mrs. Minniver"
—Greer Garson—Walter Pidgeon.
EROS—10 a.m.
REGAL—10-30 a.m.
CAPITOL—10 a.m.
PALACE—"Mrs. Minniver."
AURORA—"The Citadel" — Robert Donat, Rosalind Russell.

Mary Morris and John Justin in "The Thief of Baghdad"

Strand: 2nd Run

"The Conspirators" (Warner Bros.).
Stars: Hedy Lamarr, Paul Henreid.
Director: Jean Negulesco.
Type of Film: Spy Melodrama.

Against the background of a wartime Lisbon seething with spies and murderers, Nazis and Anti-Nazis, is enacted a tender romance between the French wife (Lamarr) of a member of the German Legation, and an adventurous figure in the shape of a member of the Dutch Underground known as "The Flying Dutchman" (Henreid).

The story abounds with tense situations. A Portuguese fishing village is depicted with picturesque charm in some of the scenes. The players give creditable performances, as is expected from a cast containing such names as Joseph Calleia, Sydney Greenstreet, Doris Lloyd, Edward Ciannelli and Peter Lorre who, however, is irritating because of his studied and unchanging mannerisms.

RETURN FILMS

Aurora

"Dragon Seed" (M.G.M.).
Stars: Katharine Hepburn, Turhan Bey and Akim Tamiroff.

Here is a story of China from the pen of Pearl Buck. Turhan Bey is convincing in his role, but not Katharine Hepburn.

Palace

"Rainbow Island" (Paramount).
Stars: Dorothy Lamour, Eddie Bracken.
Set in the South Seas, this picture is a musical comedy complete with hula girls and sarongs.

Paradise (Mahim)

Sat.-Monday: "Broadway Rhythm."
Tuesday: "The Adventures of Tartu"
Wednesday: "See Here, Private Hargrove."
Thursday: "Salute to the Marines."

Bandra Talkies

Sat.-Tuesday: "Uncertain Glory."
Wed.-Friday: "Mask of Dimitrios."

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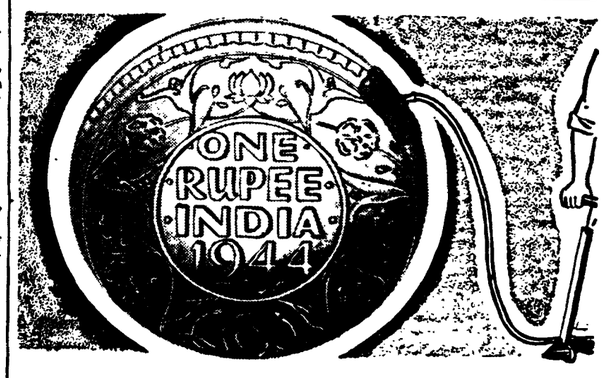

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The Sportsman's Sportsfolio

BY J. C. MAITRA

Despite the many handicaps in the way of its progress, cycling is coming into its own at last. As many as 80 competitors of different classes took part in the various events arranged by the Bombay Cycling Club at the Brabourne Stadium last week-end. This rush shows that this branch of sport is spreading fast in this city. What is needed now is that it should be put on an organised basis. The Cycling Clubs of Bombay should form an association of their own preferably covering the whole province as in the case of other games. A few years ago such a body was actually in existence. But owing to a tug-of-war between its promoters and the rulers of the B.P.O.A., the Bombay Provincial Cyclists Union met with a premature end.

NEED FOR PROVINCIAL BODIES.

Before an effort is made to revive the National Cyclists Federation of India, of which there is undoubtedly an imperative need, efforts should be made to organise local and provincial bodies first. Without strengthening the foundations first it is absolutely useless to try to build at the top. It will be a mere waste of energy. I hope cyclists and cycling clubs all over the country would try to form associations of their own in every province. When they have done so, neither the I.O.A., nor the provincial Olympic associations would be able to hold them in check. On the other hand, they will recognise their separate existence and co-operate with them to make cycling in India as good a sport as it is in other parts of the world.

SYDNEY CORDER LEADS AGAIN.

Sydney Corder, the All-India Champion, must have taken to heart his last defeat at the hands of R. Rhead in the Dual Athletic Meet. Although he could not meet the latter again owing to his absence from Bombay, and avenge his defeat, he did the next best thing that was within his power. He won all the events in which he took part last week-end. Not only that he put up a new All-India record for 1,000 metres, namely 1 minute 24.9 seconds, beating Rhead's mark of 1 minute, 26 seconds. And the events he won were 1,000 metres Time Trial, 1,000 Metres Sprint, 4,000 Metres Lap Race, and 2,000 Metres Combined Team Pursuit. In addition he helped the Poona Wheelers to win 4,000 Metres Team Pursuit as well.

AN EXCELLENT INNOVATION.

The London Cyclists, J. Hobbs and E. Hobbs, who were expected to take part in this meet, could not do so for unavoidable reasons. Consequently the races were robbed some of their interest. Still the Havewalla brothers gave Corder a good run for his money, one or the other standing second to him in all the events concerned. Still the National Champion reigned supreme and all praise to him for his magnificent efforts. But I think Corder would do well to restrict himself to a couple of events only, so that his energies may be conserved for a longer range of time. He should also participate in fewer competitions in future for the same reason.

It was an excellent idea to have the Mixed Team Pursuit in which Corder and Miss D. Darukhanawalla reached home first. It will certainly help to raise the standard among women.

MAULANA AZAD KEEPING WELL

Moves About Freely And Reads Eight Newspapers Daily

CALCUTTA, April 25 (A.P.I.): Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, the Congress President, has been keeping well since his arrival in Bankura, states the Bankura correspondent of the "Hindustan Standard."

He adds: "The entire compound of Ram Nibas (the building where the Maulana is detained) which is in the healthiest locality of the town, covering an area of several bighas of land, has been declared a special jail. Presumably this offers facilities to Maulana Saheb to move about a little freely."

The correspondent further learns that an electric fan has been fitted in the Maulana's bed room and ice has been added to his daily ration as a relief against the abnormally hot climate of the place. The Congress President receives seven or eight newspapers daily. He has asked for a catalogue of books of the local library. There is no restriction on his choice of food, says the correspondent, and fruits available in the local market are being supplied to him daily.

Alleged Violation Of Paper Control Order

SURAT, April 26. (A.P.I.): Sjts. Jamnadas Modi and Batuk Desai, two Kisan leaders of Chikli have been arrested on the charge of violation of the paper control economy order. They were enlarged on a bail of rupees 500 each, by the City Magistrate.

It is stated they violated the order by printing a pamphlet entitled "we want kerosene and sugar."

Allabux Murder Case

DIST. MAGISTRATE EXAMINED AS WITNESS

States He Kept Confession Of Khan Bahadur Confidential And Informed Inspector Of Police

SUKKUR, April 25. (A. P. I.): In the case against Khan Bahadur Khan, his brother and others, Mr. S. Ridley, I.C.S., who has recorded concessions of Kamal and approver Mohammed Khan, while he was District Magistrate of Karachi was examined to-day.

At the suggestion of Mr. Somji, Defence Counsel, the Court examined Mr. Ridley.

Witness stated that he knew Sindhi Kamal the accused in the first Allahabux Murder Case was brought to him at Karachi by the police. Kamal and he followed each others Sindhi. Witness gave adequate time to Kamal to think before making his statement. No one from the police was present at the time.

He translated Kamal's statement in Sindhi and Kamal understood it. Witness kept the confession in a confidential box and did not talk about it to anyone except to Mr. G. G. Ray, Inspector-General of Police, who was in charge of investigations in the case.

On October 30, 1943, witness recorded the confession of Mohammed Khan, approver in the previous case, and took similar precautions. Mohammed Khan made his statement voluntarily. No threats were held out to him.

After Mr. Ridley, Seth Taromal, the shop-keeper with whom Khan Bahadur Khuhro and accused Mohamed Nawaz had accounts, was examined. He produced a number of entries from his books showing that Daresh took credit from him in their names. Some entries showed that provisions had been supplied to certain Police Officers and Tapedars (Government Rent Collectors) in the name of K. B. Khuhro and Mohamed Nawaz

Witness stated that his books were seized by the police on May 1944.

After his examination the Court rose for the day.

SIR W. STAMP IN BHUJ.
(From Our Correspondent.)
BHUJ, April 26.

Sir William Stamp, Irrigation Adviser-in-Chief, Government of India, was a State guest for two days. It is understood he discussed different projects of irrigation dams and grow-more-food plan with Maharaoshree.

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Active Buying In Steel Shares

COTTON PRICES REACH NEW LOW LEVEL ON NERVOUS UNLOADING

Bullion Market Reacts After Early Rise

BOMBAY, April 26.

The Bombay Stock Exchange was fairly firm to-day with cheerful feeling. There is decided change in the general sentiment and preference is given to purchases. The market opened firm and occasional realisings sales which appeared were readily absorbed without any damage to the price structure and the session closed near the highest level of the day.

As a result of day's trading Tata Steel Dfds. gained Rs. 30/-, Ordinary Rs. 5/-, Bombay Dyeings Rs. 12/-, Kohinoors Rs. 5/- and Simplex Rs. 5/-.

Cotton was weak without any buyer. This year we have a small crop yet prices are threatening to penetrate through lowest levels reached in recent years. As against this cotton prices are reaching new high levels in New York. But the local forward cotton market has very little connection with actual cotton and is interested in most questionable methods of speculation which generally do serious damage to cotton growers. May was quoted unofficially at Rs. 399/-

Bullion market was firm during the early part of the session. Later on Silver was inclined to offer and Gold was steady.

SHARE BAZAR

The Share Bazar opened firm with active buying and despite scattered selling ruled very steady. It appears that the market had fully discounted long ago effects of the end of the War in Europe and now professional operators are entering in the market with full confidence to raise quotations. The proposed state control of key industries is meeting strong opposition from all quarters and there is Global acute shortage of cloth. This goes to prove that industrial outlook in this country is as promising as it was during the past years and both investors and professional operators are buying freely and quotations are gradually reaching higher levels. It is not out of place that there may be occasions for sharp setbacks but whenever such declines appear, the same will be taken advantage to buy. Tata Steel Dfd. Shares opened to-day at Rs. 2092 against previous close at Rs. 2065 and after improving to Rs. 2095 reacted to Rs. 2085. Ordinary Shares opened at Rs. 393 and steadied at Rs. 392. Bombay Dyeing Shares opened at Rs. 1831 against last closing at Rs. 1818/4 and quistened at Rs. 1821. Kohinoor Mill Shares opened at Rs. 606 and steadied at Rs. 604.

Later on there was active buying which hardened quotations. Tata Steel Dfds. rose to Rs. 2095. Ordinery Shares were done at Rs. 393/8. Bombay Dyeings were placed at Rs. 1827/8 and Kohinoors improved to Rs. 607. Tone of the market at the close was firm.

Record Of Actual Transactions In Shares

BOMBAY, April 26.

MILLS.

Bradbury (Ord) 310
Bharucha 8
Apollo 3/13 3/14/3
Bharat 60
B. Dyeing 1830 32/8 26/4 28/12 20 25 21/4 28/12
Central India (Ord) 374/8 72/8 74 72/8 76
Century 900 910 5
Colaba 220 21 19/8 20
Central India (Pref) 722/8 26/4
Edward 590 95
Elphinstone (Ord) 86/8 87
Elphinstone (Pref) 127/8
Finlay 304 2 3 2/8 3/8 2 5
Gokak 301 300 302/8 1 4
India United (Defd) 3/1 3/1/6 3/1
India United (Ord) 14/14 14/10/6 14/11/6 14/10 14/11/6
Indore 732/8 37/8 20 25 21/4 2 36/4 32/8
Kohinoor 608 5 6 4 5/8 3/8 8 7
Meyer 190 91/14
Minerwa 231/8
Morarjee 706/4 10 6/4
New City 350
New Great 375 73/8 74/8 73 75 74 78 77
Podar (Ord) 511/4 (Ex. Div)
Podar (Pref) 114/8 (Ex. Div)
Shrinivas 341/4
Simplex 263 59 65 63 67
Swadeshi 949 47 48 45/8 43 46/8 52 50/8 51/8
Swan 330 28/8 30 28/8 31 30/8
Tata Mills 58 58/12
Western India Mills 3410

RAILWAYS.

Ahmedabad Prance] 2 922/8
Central Provinces 108
Sialkot 117

BANKS.

Baroda 136
Central 79/4 78/12
Imperial (Old) 1975
Imperial (New) 495
India 186 86/4 85/8
National Savings (P. P.) 38 37/8
Reserve 134 33/12

ELECTRIC.

Ahmedabad 242/8 43/12 42/8
Ajmer 14/13
Amalgamated 18/2
Andhra Valley 1725
Tram (Ord) 145 44/8
Tram (Pref) 68/8 69 68/8
Bombay Suburban 211/4
Surat 235
Hydro (Ord) 204 3/8
Hydro (Pref) 163/12
Power (Ord) 1850 (Ex. Div)

INSURANCE.

British India 20 20/4
Empire 1090 (Ex. Div)
Jupitar 28
New India 77/8 77/12 77/8
Universal 17/4 (Odd Lot)
Scindia 32/10 33
Tata Steel (Defd) 2097/8 90 97/8 81/4 95 82/8 91/4 80 95 92/8 95
Tata Steel (Ord) 393 92/8 94 91 93 91/8 92/8 90/8 93
Tata Steel (1st Pref) 222/8
Tata Steel (2nd Pref) 163 63/8 63/4

MISCELLANEOUS.

Alcock 412/8 13/12
A. Cement 234 35 31 32/8 31/8 32/8 31/8 32/12
Belapur 215 15/8 13 15 14/8
Burmah (Old) 507/8 10
Burmah (New) 185
B. B. Petrol 5/3/6 5/4/6 5/3/6 5/4
Devkaran Nanjee Trust 24/12 (Odd Lot)
I. I. Trust 114/12 14/8
Port Canning 104/4
P. Construction (Ord) 207 4 6
P. Construction (2nd Pref) 137/8
Shivrajpur 50 51/8
Tata Chemical 20/1 20/3 20/2
Western India Match 317/8
Tata Oil 66/8 67/8
Coorla Mills 215/10
Exchange Bank of India (Ord) 55 55/4

GOLD AND SILVER

The Bullion market was very steady to-day under renewed buying. It is reported that some Bull operators have given notices to deliver actual gold and silver to sellers. It is understood that in view of the recent resolution of fixing Budlee differences has been the cause of the notice Upto now Bulls were accommodating short sellers to carry-over their unprotected sales by dictating unusual differences. Against this practice several members approached the Board to regulate weekly carry-over Budlee differences. This was done by the Board by fixing Budlee differences but it seems that Bulls are not satisfied at the decision of the Board. It remains to be seen how the situation develops.

The Reserve Bank of India sold today 300 bars silver at Rs. 132/8 and 25,000 tolas gold at Rs. 75/3 to Rs. 75/4.

Forward trading opened to-day at Rs. 74/12 for gold and under moderate buying gold advanced to 75/3 and later steadied at Rs. 75/1. Ready silver was quoted at Rs. 75/11. Forward silver opened at Rs. 130/12 and advanced to Rs. 132/6 and later steadied at Rs. 132. Ready silver was quoted at Rs. 134.

Later on Silver was quiet under scattered realising but Gold was steady. Closing quotations were as under:—

	Rs.	as.	p.
Ready Silver	133	8	0
Silver Settlement	131	12	0
Ready Gold	75	10	0
Gold Settlement	75	2	0
Sovereigns	51	12	0

BOMBAY COTTON

The local cotton market remains quiet with utter absence of any important buying in the forward market. Demand for ready cotton is satisfactory and this year the crop is 32 per cent. Smaller than last year. It is said that out of a total of 33 lakhs bales crop nearly 30 lakh bales are pressed by this time and there remains only very small quantity to come. Under such a strong statistical situation when there is scarcity of cloth in this country, there is no buyer of cotton in the forward market which calls for attention. It is always claimed that forward trading is essential in the interest of cotton growers. This state shows how Indian cotton growers are ruined by the forward market. The market opened to-day at Rs. 407 for May delivery and declined to Rs. 405. At this level there appeared scattered covering and May improved to Rs. 408 but heavy unloading appeared and May declined to Rs. 403/8 a new low level for this year. The market is under the control of professional operators and undertone remains weak.

There was persistent nervous long liquidation and May declined to Rs. 402. At this level the decline was checked by short covering and May recovered to Rs. 403/8 but again ruled quiet and the market closed at the lowest level of the day at 3 p.m. as under:—

I.C.C. May	402	0	0
I.C.C. July	419	4	0
I.C.C. Sept.	431	0	0

Cotton Parity

Indian Cotton May Contract is 714 cent points below New York May at Exchange rate 331.

High & Low Cotton Prices

I.C.C. May Highest 411-1/4, Lowest 406, Closing at 3 p.m. 409/1/2.

I.C.C. July Highest 427, Lowest 422, Closing at 3 p.m. 425.

I.C.C. Sept. Highest 438, Lowest 433, Closing at 3 p.m. 436-1/4.

Karachi 4F May Highest 42/4/6 Lowest 41/13/0. Closing at 3 p.m. 41/14/6.

Bombay Produce

The local produce market was fairly steady with a limited business. This year Linseed crop being small the market rules very steady while Groundnuts remain neglected without any change in last quotations. Castorseeds Bombay ready were quoted at Rs. 15/11 and Goa delivery stood at Rs. 15/10. Differences between different growths of Linseed disappeared under steady demand. C. P., U. P., G. I. P. and Nizam State Linseed was quoted at Rs. 16/4.

ACTIVE COVERING IN N. Y. COTTON MARKET

Global Shortages Of Cotton Goods

New York, April 25.

Covering in May and the absence of notices were an early feature, but on the other hand, 73 notices were issued in New Orleans. Reports are circulating that the War Food Administration is now considering a plan to siphon all foreign business in cotton and grains through Commodity Credit Corporation channels. The warnings by leading British and American officials of impending global shortages of cotton goods attracted attention. The session closed steady.

At the opening July was quoted 3 points higher at 22.62 but declined to 22.60 which was the lowest level reached at Noon. Later on there was renewed buying and July advanced to 22.65. The market closed at a net gain of 3 to 5 points. Spot Cotton prices were raised 3 points at 23.15c. per lb.

NEW YORK COTTON

NEW YORK, April 25.

May	22.88	+03
July	22.63	+04
October	22.05	+05
December	21.96	+05
January	21.93	+05
March	21.87	+03
July Highest (2.57 p. m.)	22.65	+06
July Lowest (12.12 a. m.)	22.60	+01
Middling Spot	23.15	+03

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

May	22.86	+06
July	22.61	+05
Middling Spot	22.25	+05

NEW YORK COTTON

May	22.84	
July	22.61	

3½ P. C. Paper

BOMBAY, April 26.

3.1/2 per cent Government paper was quietly steady today at Rs 100/0/6.

Chicago Grain Prices Weaker

CHICAGO, April 25 (U P I): Prices were weaker at the close of trading in the Chicago grain pit today. Technical and war developments combined to force prices slightly downward Many traders felt that the market temporarily was over bought following the recent rises which carried wheat prices to a high mark for the past 21 years.

It was reported that the Government estimates the wheat carry over this year will be from 350 million to 375 million bushes, unchanged from last year. This fact, as well as a forefast of excellent weather for the growing wheat crop, caused weakness in wheat prices.

Selling pressure was concentrated on the nearby rye deliveries and the May delivery quotation stumped after establishing a new high for the season at the opening of the market. Closing prices for wheat:

May 1.74 1/8
July 1.63 1/8 to 1.63 1/4

New York Stocks Irregularly Lower

NEW YORK, April 25 (U P A): Prices were irregularly lower at the close of trading on the New York Stock Exchange today. Anticipation of a sharp increase possibly as much as 100 per cent. in margin requirements frightened many traders.

It was generally believed, however, that the change in the margin requirements would cause only a temporary setback as most of the present buying of securities is for cash.

Steels and the high prices motors receded fractionally and railway shares were easier. Oil were mixed. Shares of the Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey established a new high. Closing prices included:

Company	Previous	April 25
American Tel and Tel	165 1/8	165
Anaconda Copper	34 1/4	34 1/4
Douglas Aircraft	69 7/8	70 3/8
General Motors	69	68 1/2
Pennsylvania Ry.	38 1/8	38 1/2
U S Steel Common	68	67 1/4

New York Bank Stocks

NEW YORK, April 25 (U P A): Quotations on shares in New York banks showed little change in the over-the-counter market today. Closing quotations for shares in National City Bank of New York were: Bid, 41 3/4; Asked, 43 1/4.

Inquiries For Cloth In New York

NEW YORK, April 25, (U. P. A.): Large scale inquiries for boat sail and drill cloths and cloth for army and navy life preservers were reported in the Worth Street cotton cloth market to-day. Otherwise the market continued quiet.

Higher Prices In U. S. A. For Indian Hides

WASHINGTON, April 25, (U. P. A.): The Government's Office of Price Administration (OPA) to-day increased by 2.75 cents a pound the maximum purchase prices for East India tanned goat skins entering the United States effective immediately. The move was made to equalize American prices with those recently set by the British Ministry of Supply. The new prices do NOT apply to Bombay and Karachi skins.

Calicut Quotations

CALICUT, April 26.

Cocoanuts Raw 80 Dry 79 Cocoanut oil 317/8 Copra Office 192/8 Dilpasand 205 Madrasanottam 220 Goodgoods 215 Pepper Wynaad 375 Country 370 Dryginger Chernad 255 Ernad 245 Coffee Robusta 84.

Madras Share Bazar

MADRAS, April 26.

The Share Bazar was closed to-day.

Hapur Quotations

HAPUR, April 26.

Wheat 10/8 Dara 10/4 Arrivals 550 Mds Grain 7/8 Barley 6/8 Arhar 7 Maize 6/2 Bajra 7 Juar 8 Bejhar 6/6 Oats 9 Mustardseed 11/1 Gur 9/9 Rawsugar 10/8 Urd 14 Moong 11 Silver Ready 133 Future 132 Gold Ready 74/6 Future 74 Bardana Chet 54/12 Asoj 54/14 Guwar 7/12.

Metal Quotations

BOMBAY, April 26.

Bhangar			
Brass Ready	157	0	0
Brass Chaitra	141	0	0
Brass Ashad	134	0	0
Copper Ready	146	0	0
Copper Chaitra	140	0	0
Copper Ashad	133	0	0

MONEY MARKET

BOMBAY, April 26.

LONDON: Banks buying 90 days/st. 1/6 7/32 1 and 2 months.

LONDON: Banks buying 90 days/st. 1/6 1/4 3 to 6 months.

B. O. Rates: T T 1/5 15/16 D D 1/5 15/16.

Banks selling T T 1/5 31/32 D D 1/5 31/32.

Banks buying T T 1/6 1/32 D D 1/6 1/32.

LDN/NEW YORK:

Banks selling T T Rs. 332 3/4 D D Rs 332 3/4.

Banks buying T T Rs 329 1/2 D D Rs. 327 1/2.

LDN/MONTREAL:

Banks selling T T Rs. 302 1/2 D D Rs. 302 1/2

Banks buying T T Rs. 297 3/4 D D Rs. 295 3/4

Tone of Sterling Exchange, Quiet.

Reserve Bank Rate 3 p.c. Bank of England Rate 2 p.c.

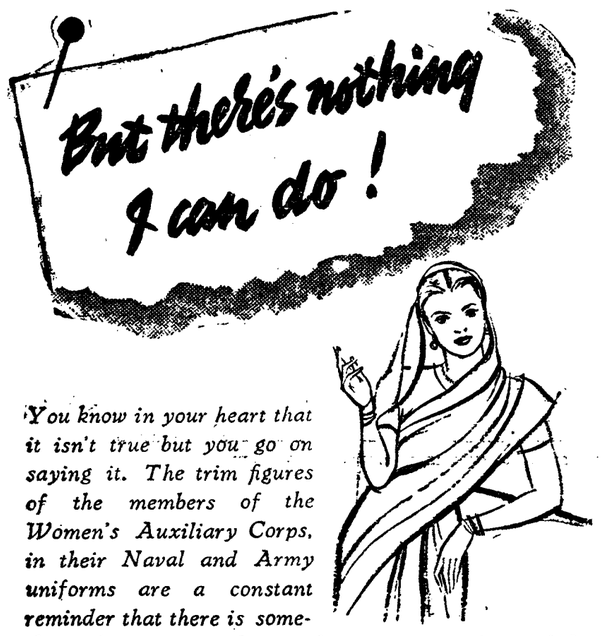
Money:—Call one and two months 1/4 p.c 3 to 5 months 1/2 p.c. 6 to 11 months 3/4 p.c. 12 months 1 1/4 p.c.

Tone—Easy.

(From Our Correspondent)

BHUJ, April 26.

To-day Hundi Koris Rs. 363, Silver Rs. 107/8, Gold Rs. 73/8.



You know in your heart that it isn't true but you go on saying it. The trim figures of the members of the Women's Auxiliary Corps, in their Naval and Army uniforms are a constant reminder that there is something that you can do... and you are urgently needed to do it now so that victory may be quicker and fewer lives may be lost. Apart from the satisfaction of knowing that they are doing their duty, these girls have something else. They go about their work secure in the knowledge that they are making a real contribution towards the enlightenment of India's womanhood which must come quickly if India is to assume her place as a world power. These women know, too, that the knowledge which they are acquiring will provide them with a new asset with which to take their place in commerce or in industry after the war. Before you finally decide to join, you should find out all about service in the Corps from one of the Woman Recruiting Officers (addresses given below) or from any W.A.C.(I) Unit Commander.

ASSISTANT TECHNICAL RECRUITING OFFICERS, W.A.C.(I): Lahore—22, Davis Road. Rawalpindi—Gwyn Thomas Road. Lucknow—c/o T.R.O. Eastern, Hazratganj. Calcutta—c/o D.T.R.O., 28, Theatre Road. Madras—3/18, Mount Road. Bombay—A.F.I. Building, Hospital Lane, Dhobi Talao. Poona—Staunton Road Patna—c/o D.T.R.O., Exhibition Road. Bangalore—Cubbon Road.

* *Women's Auxiliary Corps (India)* *

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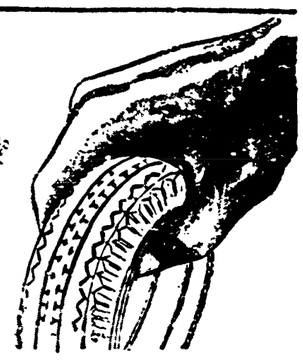

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I COULD TRY IT!
NO, I NEVER SOLD SUITS BUT I CAN TRY CAN'T I?
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SITUATIONS VACANT

Wanted Salesmen, part time, for our pharmaceutical Products to work in the Island of Bombay. Apply The New Premier Agency Ltd., Ahmednagar. 7987

Wanted following for the Umaid Hospital for Women and Children, Jodhpur. 1. Lady Sub-Assistant Surgeon, grade Rs. 60-4-120-5-150 free simply furnished quarter or house rent Rs. 5 per month. Initial pay according to qualifications. Apply to the Medical Superintendent, Umaid Hospital, Jodhpur with copies of certificates and testimonials and particulars of age, nationality and experience. 3017

Wanted from June 4, 1945 (1) a Long Termer strong in History and English and able to teach higher std. and (2) one Matric S.T.C. Posts permanent salary according to qualifications and experience. Apply giving full details to the Head Master, New English School, Chopda before 10-5-1945, D. G. Kulkarni, Esqr., M.A., B.T. Head Master, New English School, Chopda E. K. 3021

Wanted: 1. A Christian woman M.A. in English with Teacher's training or 3 years teaching experience in an Inter College. Salary in the scale Rs. 120-8-200. 2. A Christian trained Physical Instructress F. A. with training grade Rs. 90-5-170. B.A.B.T. grade Rs. 120-8-200. The posts are resident with Provident Fund and Dearness allowance. Initial salary according to experience. Apply to —The Principal, Queen Mary's Higher Secondary School Delhi. 3023

Wanted Accountant, Cashier, Bill Clerks, Tally Clerks, Supervisors, Stenographer to work at Bombay, Poona and other places. Those experienced with Transport line preferred. Apply General Construction & Supply Co., Round Bldg., Kalbadevi Road, Bombay. Phone 33223. 7961

Eastern Life Assurance Company Limited (Advani Chambers Phirozshah Mehta Road) interviews Daily 4-6 p.m. Prospective Salaried Inspectors, organizers for Bombay and Suburbs. Persons Guaranteeing business need alone apply. 7968

SITUATIONS WANTED

Young Gujarati Law Graduate with higher qualification, having three years' experience in legal profession seeks suitable appointment, prepared to serve upcountry or overseas. Apply Box No. 7989, "Bombay Chronicle."

Well experienced Stenographer with personality knowing all office duties seeks post as Head Clerk or Manager. Write Box No. 7974, "Bombay Chronicle"

SOCIAL

Friendship; Pen or personal, either sex, all ages, apply Universal Introduction League. P.O. Box 140, Hyderabad Dn. 7837

ACCOMMODATION WANTED

Wanted Boarding & Lodging Bachelor willing to stay in family or any room. Box No. 7979, "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted a room anywhere between Virar-Bombay, Karjat-Bombay. Apply immediately to Box No. 7972 "Bombay Chronicle."

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Wanted Office premises anywhere in Bombay. Willing to share. Apply Box No. 7973, "Bombay Chronicle."

EDUCATIONAL ADLETS

Learn Journalism, Story Writing Masterly English, Accountancy, Shorthand D. Com., Commercial Courses by post. Associated Schools, Delhi. 7539B

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BOOKS & MAGAZINES

Earn Rs. Six daily. Buy Easy Cotton Calculation Book at Rs. 4. Fulgaliwala, Ahmed Building, Gol pitha, Bombay. 7986

AGENTS WANTED

Wanted Agents or Wholesale Dealers. The Krishna Button Mfg. Co., Nawabpur, Daoca (Bengal). 7966

AGENCIES WANTED

Agencies wanted, business guaranteed Toilets, cigarettes Sewing yarns Glass and Enamelling Products. Send samples and terms. R. Mengi & Co., Jammu Tawi. 7951B

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For Sale—A Pharmaceutical going concern of Manufacturing Chemists holding also Overseas and Indian Agencies for reputed products with office and all other amenities to expand business. Reason for sale Managing Partner's ill-health. Interested capitalists apply to Box No. 7962, "Bombay Chronicle."

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that H. BACHUBHAI has this day retired from the firm of India Car Services carrying on business at Imperial Cinema Compound, Vithalbhai Patel Road, Bombay. The outstandings of the business shall be realised by the Continuing Partners hereafter.

Bombay, dated this 25th day of April, 1945.

AMBUBHAI & DIWANJI,
Attorneys for India Car Services.
3014

NOTICE

SEALED TENDERS addressed by name to the undersigned are invited for certain works in this division costing approximately Rs. 2,60,000 upto 3 p.m. on 5-5-45. Tender papers and details can be obtained from the office of the undersigned on any working day during office hours.

S. R. VASUDEV, B.A., P.S.E. 1
Executive Engineer,
B'lore Construction Division,
C.P.W.D., Bangalore.
2985

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the Central Service Class I post of Entomologist for the Malaria Institute of India Delhi. The post will be filled on a temporary basis for the duration of the war

Candidates must possess a post-graduate degree, preferably Ph.D., in Entomology. Scale of pay is Rs. 325-25-650 (E.B.)—35-1,000. War allowance is admissible. Government servants are also eligible. In the case of exceptionally capable candidates a higher initial pay may be recommended to Government.

Candidates, if called for interview, will have to come to Delhi at their own expense. Applications with copies of testimonials and published work should be addressed to the Director-General, Indian Medical Service, New Delhi. The last date for receiving applications is 19th May, 1945.

Applications recently received for the posts of Assistant Director in the Malaria Institute of India will also be taken into consideration. Such candidates need not apply again. 2974

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for two temporary posts of Textile Inspectors in the Department of Industries, Bombay, in the scale of pay of Rs. 100-5-150 plus C. A. Rs. 10 p.m. plus D. A. as sanctioned by Government from time to time. For detailed conditions of service and prescribed form of application write to the Director of Industries, Old Custom House Yard, Fort, Bombay. Last date for receipt of application is 7th May, 1945. 2988

NOTICE.

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the following posts for a Certified School for girls to be started at Nanded on the Poona Khadakvasla Road:

(1) One post of Lady Superintendent on Rs. 75-5-135-E.B.-15|2-180.

QUALIFICATIONS: Applicant should be at least a Matriculate with previous institutional experience. Preference will be given to B.A., B.T.s and graduates of the Tata School of Social Sciences. Experience in organizing Indian and English games in any educational institution for girls will be an additional qualification. Preference will be given to those who have had administrative experience in the management of institutions such as Rescue Homes etc. Montessori Training will also count as qualification. Higher starting pay in the case of suitably qualified persons will be considered. Candidates should be over 25 years of age.

(2) One Trained Nurse on Rs. 45-5-70.

Full B.P.N.As only need apply. Age above 24. Those with nursing experience in hospitals or other institutions will be preferred.

(3) One Matron on Rs. 60-5|2-75.

Matriculates having institutional experience will be given preference. An elderly woman with experience in dealing with girls—an ex-teacher—will be considered suitable for the post.

Dearness allowance at admissible rates is applicable in all cases.

Applications for the above three posts giving full particulars of the applicant's name, address, date of birth, religion, caste with subcaste, native place with district etc. should reach the undersigned on or before the 7th May 1945.

Selected candidates will be called for interview to Poona at their own expense, with no guarantee of appointment.

A. K. KHAN,
Chief Inspector of Certified Schools,
Bombay Province,
3, Church Road, Poona.
(2954)

MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE

For Sale: About 100 tons of half Cream Milk Powder. Price Rs. 5,000 net per ton ex-godown Calcutta. Enquire Post Box No. 2318 Calcutta 2996

Garden to be sold—Garden plot with 100 mango trees, admeasuring at Taloja 34 miles from Bombay on Bombay-Poona Road yearly income Rs. 1,200 to 1,500 Enquire, Manager, Taloja Hostel. Bhendi Bazar, Opp. Mandvi Post Office, No. 3. 7976

Now available famous Balloon Soap Chips at your door direct from factory at factory price 14 lbs. Rs. 5-8. Dial 30378. 7738

PUBLIC NOTICES

REVISED PRICE OF ICE

Finance Department (Supply)
Bombay, Castle, 24th April 1945.

ORDER

No. 779|IV-B—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-rule (2) of rule 81 of the Defence of India Rules, and of all other powers enabling it in this behalf, and in supersession of the Order issued in Government Notification in Finance Department (Supply), No. 779|IV-B, dated the 24th November 1944, the Government of Bombay is pleased to make the following Order, namely:—

1. With effect from the 27th April 1945, no dealer in the City of Bombay and the Bombay Suburban District, shall

(a) sell or cause to be sold ice during the period specified in column 1 of the Schedule hereto appended,

(i) EX-FACTORY, at prices higher than those specified in column 2 thereof,

(ii) EX-DEPOT, at prices higher than those specified in column 3 thereof, and

(iii) elsewhere, at prices higher than those specified in column 4 thereof.

(b) on demand and offer of price, refuse to sell ice available with him to any person at the rates specified in sub-clause (a).

2. Every dealer in the City of Bombay and Bombay Suburban District, shall display and kept displayed in a conspicuous position in his factory, depot, shop or other place of business, as the case may be, a copy of this Order.

EXPLANATION: For the purposes of this Order, 'dealer' means a person carrying on the business, whether or not in conjunction with any other business, of selling ice and includes a manufacturer of ice.

SCHEDULE

PERIOD. 1.	EX-FACTORY. 2.	EX-DEPOT. 3.	ELSEWHERE. 4.
15th March to 15th June (both days inclusive) and the month of October	(i) Rs. 2-0-0 per 100 lbs. for sales of 25 lbs. or more at a time;	(i) Re. 0-9-0 per 25 lbs. for sales of 25 lbs. or more at a time.	(i) Re. 0-12-0 per 25 lbs. for sales of 25 lbs. or more at a time;
	(ii) Re. 0-0-6 per lb. for sales of less than 25 lbs. at a time.	(ii) Re. 0-0-6 per lb. for sales of less than 25 lbs. at a time.	(ii) Re. 0-1-0 per 1½ lbs. for sales of less than 25 lbs. at a time.
Any other period of the year.	(i) Re. 1-0-0 per 100 lbs. for sales of 25 lbs. or more at a time.	(i) Re. 0-5-0 per 25 lbs. for sales of 25 lbs. or more at a time.	(i) Re. 0-0-3 per lb.
	(ii) Re. 0-0-3 per lb. for sales of less than 25 lbs. at a time.	(ii) Re. 0-0-3 per lb. for sales of less than 25 lbs. at a time.	

By order of the Governor of Bombay,
D. S. BAKHLE,
Joint Secretary to Government.
2795

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEPARTMENT OF SUPPLY,

Office of the Controller of Supplies, (Disposals), Strand House, Ballard Estate, Bombay.

TENDER NOTICE

Tenders are invited for the purchase and removal of the following stores lying at Port Salvage Depot, Haji Bunder, Sewree, Bombay:—

LOT NO.	STORES	QUANTITY.
5	Assorted bolts and nuts, washers, rivets, wheel bolts, wheel nuts, spring studs, lock washers, coach bolts and screws, brackets, U bolts, etc.	12 tons
10	Front and rear axles of motor trucks.	150 Nos.
29	Unserviceable Ambulance (Studebaker).	1 No.
30	Unserviceable 15 Cwts. Ford Tractor.	1 No.
42	Front and rear axle scrap.	6 tons.

2. The stores can be inspected at site by previous appointment with the Manager of the Depot. Intending purchasers should fully satisfy themselves about the condition of the stores before submitting their offers.

3. Tenders should be submitted in a sealed cover superscribed "Tender No. CS|MPD|3305 due on 3-5-1945", so as to reach this Office by 4 P.M. on 3-5-45. The Office should remain open upto 14-5-45. 3011

WANTED
CLERKS FOR THE RATIONING DEPARTMENT

WANTED IMMEDIATELY clerks (men or women) who have at least appeared for the Matriculation Examination, for the Rationing Department on pay of Rs. 50|-5|2-90 plus Dearness Allowance admissible (Rs. 22|- per month at present).

Candidates belonging to backward and intermediate communities will be given preference. Applicants should see AT ONCE PERSONALLY Khan Saheb R. K. Joshi, Assistant Controller of Rationing, at the Royal Institute of Science Building (East wing), Fort, Bombay, together with their examination certificates (or receipts for the fees paid for appearing at the Matric Examination) and evidence of the highest percentage of marks obtained by them at any University Examination.

R. R. RANA,
Establishment Officer,
Finance Department (Supply).
(3037)

THE SCINDIA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that

(1) Original Certificates for shares distinctive Nos. 619640-52, 1021586-601 and Nos. 554529-48 (duplicates) standing in the name of Bhavanji Meghji,

(2) Original Certificates for shares distinctive Nos. 1415988-6002, 584574-583, 563685-700, 269844-846 and 563055, standing in the name of Sujir Pundalik Nayak, are reported lost or destroyed by the fire consequent on the explosion of 14-4-1944.

Any person having any claim to any of the said shares should notify to the registered office of the Co., Scindia House, Ballard Estate, Bombay, within one month hereof; otherwise duplicate and|or triplicate certificates will be issued.

NAROTTAM MORARJEE & CO.,
Agents.
Bombay, 25-4-1945.
(3027)

THE HINDUSTHAN SAFE DEPOSIT CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the NINTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the abovenamed Company will be held at the Company's Registered Office, Newnham Road, Bombay Bazar, in the City of Karachi on FRIDAY, the 25th May 1945 at 4-30 P.M. for transaction of the following business:—

(1) To confirm minutes of the last General Meeting.
(2) To receive and adopt the Director's Report for the year ended and the audited Balance Sheet as at 31st December 1944.
(3) To declare Dividend for the year ended 31st December 1944.
(4) To elect Directors in place of those retiring by rotation; and
(5) To appoint Auditors and to fix their remuneration.

The Transfer Books of the Company will remain closed from 5th May 1945 to 26th May 1945 both days inclusive.

By order of the Board,
DOONGURSEE & SONS,
Managing Agents.
Newnham Road,
Bombay Bazar,
Karachi, 27th April 1945.

NOTE:—The Dividend when sanctioned, will be made payable on and after Monday the 28th May 1945 to those Shareholders whose names stand on the Register on Saturday, the 26th May, 1945. 3016

THE INDUSTRIAL & PRUDENTIAL ASSURANCE CO. LTD. BOMBAY.

NOTICE

Intimation having been received of the loss of the Policy Nos. 71598 & 71737 issued to Mr. Murji Ghela Ghala the duplicate policies will be issued to the assured unless objection is lodged with the INDUSTRIAL & PRUDENTIAL ASSURANCE CO. LTD. at its head office in Industrial Assurance Building, Fort, Bombay, within thirty days of this notice.

(Sd.) MURJI GHELA GHALA.
Bombay 25th April '45.
7981

PUBLIC NOTICES

SECRETARY, PUNJAB AND N.W.F.P. JOINT PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, LAHORE

INVITES APPLICATIONS from British subjects domiciled in India, subjects of notified Punjab States and native of tribal territories, Muslims, Sikhs, Scheduled Castes and Zamindars preferred, on or before 19th May, 1945, on prescribed form (obtainable free), accompanied by treasury or M.O. receipt for Rs. 5|-, for 12 temporary posts of SUB ASSISTANT HEALTH OFFICER in the Punjab Public Health Subordinate Service. Candidates should be Medical Licentiates who got their diploma before 1942. Pay: Rs. 200 p.m. fixed plus T.A. at Rs. 47|-p.m. plus dearness allowance as sanctioned from time to time by Government. No private practice allowed. No age limits. Women eligible, Government Servants not eligible. Further particulars on application. 3038

G. I. P. RAILWAY
EMPLOYMENT NOTICE

WANTED CANDIDATES to fill 15 posts of Temporary Assistant Time-keepers: AGE—Not less than 18 and not more than 30 years on 1-5-45. EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS. Passed VI Standard of English under Government Grant-in-Aid Code of the Bombay University or its equivalent examination. SCALE OF PAY. Starting pay Rs. 40|- P.M. in the grade of Rs. 30-4-50 to be absorbed as Temporary clerks on completion of Nine months successful training. ALLOWANCES—(1) Dearness allowance of Rs. 18|- when posted within the Island of Bombay and of varying amounts when posted outside that area. (2) Bombay House and Special Local allowances totalling 20% of pay when posted within the Island of Bombay. Candidates should be physically fit generally and have the following sight standard: "Distant vision tested with Landolt's split rings must not be less than 6|9 in either eye with or without glasses. Near vision—Snellon 0.6 in either eye with or without glasses." Forms of applications are obtainable from the Divisional Transportation Superintendent, G.I.P. Railway, Bombay V.T. on payment of Re. 1|- each by Money Order only. FULL NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE APPLICANT SHOULD BE ENTERED IN BLOCK CAPITAL LETTERS ON THE MONEY ORDER COUPON. Otherwise Money Orders are liable to be refused. Last date of receipt of Money Orders is 10-5-45. Candidates called for interview and examination should attend at their own expense. A call to attend examination or interview will not imply offer of employment. 3009

G.I.P. RAILWAY.
EMPLOYMENT NOTICE.

WANTED CANDIDATES to fill the following posts:—

(a) 15 posts of Temporary Cabin Candidates.
(b) 40 posts of Temporary Pro. No. Takers.

AGE: Not less than 18 years and not more than 30 years on 1st June 1945.

Educational Qualifications: Studied upto pre-Matric Standard under the Government Grant-in-aid code of the Bombay University or its equivalent standard.

SCALE OF PAY—

For (a) Rs. 35|- p. m. as stipend to be absorbed as Temporary Cabinman on Rs. 40|- in the grade of Rs. 30-4-50 after six months' successful completion of training.

(b) Rs. 35|- p. m. as stipend to be absorbed as Temporary Pro. No. Takers on Rs. 35|- fixed pay on 3 months' successful completion of training.

ALLOWANCES—Dearness allowance of Rs. 16|- (present rate) when posted within the Bombay Island and Dearness allowance of varying amounts when posted outside that area.

(2) Bombay House and Local allowance totalling 20 per cent of pay on abscrption in a post within the Island of Bombay on successful completion of training period.

Candidates should be physically fit generally and have the following sight standard:—

(i) Distant vision tested with Landolt's split rings must be 6|6 in one eye and not less than 6|9 in the other without glasses and the manifest hypermetropia is not more than 1.0 in one eye and 1.5 in the other.

(ii) Colour perception as tested with Edridge Green Lantern should be normal.

(iii) Candidates suffering from night blindness will not be considered.

Forms of applications are obtainable from the Divisional Transportation Superintendent, G.I.P. Railway, Bombay V.T., on payment of Rupee one each by money order only. FULL NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE APPLICANT AND THE NAME OF THE POST APPLIED FOR SHOULD BE ENTERED IN BLOCK CAPITAL LETTERS ON MONEY ORDER COUPONS; otherwise Money Orders are liable to be returned. Last date for receipt of money order is 10th May 1945.

Candidates called for interview and examination should attend at their own expense. A call to attend examination or interview will not imply offer of employment. (3008)

INVESTA MACHINE TOOLS AND ENGINEERING COMPANY, LIMITED.
NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SECOND ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of INVESTA MACHINE TOOLS AND ENGINEERING COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, Ewart House, Bruce Street, Fort, Bombay, on MONDAY, the 14th May, 1945, at 4 p. m., to transact the following business:—

1. To receive and adopt the Directors' Report and Audited Balance Sheet for the year ended 31st December, 1944.
2. To declare a dividend on Preference Shares for the period ended 31st December, 1943.
3. To elect Directors in place of Mr. M. C. GHIA, SIR CHUNILAL B. MEHTA and Mr. A. A. JASDENVALA, who retire under Article 133 of the Articles of Association and being eligible offer themselves for re-election.
4. To elect Directors in place of Mr. N. R. SARKAR and NAWAB SIR AKEEL JUNG BAHADUR, who retire under Article 127 of the Articles of Association and being eligible offer themselves for re-election.
5. To appoint Auditors for the current year and to fix their remuneration.

The SHARE TRANSFER REGISTERS of the Company will be CLOSED from Monday, the 14th May, 1945 to Monday, the 4th June, 1945, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
INVESTA INDUSTRIAL CORPORATION, LTD.,
Managing Agents.
JOHN MATTHAI,
Director.

Bombay, 20th April, 1945.

If Dividend as recommended by the Directors is passed at the Meeting, it will be paid on and after Tuesday, the 5th June, 1945 to those Shareholders whose names are on the Company's Register on Monday, the 14th May, 1945.

To the Shareholders of INVESTA MACHINE TOOLS & ENGINEERING COMPANY, LIMITED, and in particular to:—

Thakur Pratap Singh, Mrs. Hasmanben Kanaiyalal, Sir Govindrao D. Madgavkar, Mrs. Hirabai Rustomji Faridoonji, The Hon'ble the Finance Member-in-Office of H. E. H. the Nizam's Govt., Narayandas Vrijlal, Rai Sahib Sirdar Radha Raman Das, Harilal Harakhchand, Hargovandas Harjivandas, Hariprasad Jaysukhram Parghi, Goverdhanlal Bansilal, Ramchandra Narayan Bhave, Tribhuvanrai Dulerai Rana, Gunvantrai Girdharrai Mazumdar, Bhaskar Ganesh Joshi, Manibhai Vasanji Desai, Sirinbai Jamshedji Pavri, Karsonlal Bhogilal Maniar, Jayantilal Manilal Parikh, Prahladray Hariprasad Buch, Champaklal Jamnadas Maniar, Ramanlal Bhogilal Parikh, Asumati Vithaldas Parikh, Gordhandas Prabhudas Joshi, Dr. Kantilal Manilal Shah, Anandlal Hiralal Sheth, Mrs. Pushpavati Kantilal Desai, Sumatichandra Hiralal Sheth, Nawab Sir Akeel Jung Bahadur. (3019)

G.I.P. RAILWAY.
EMPLOYMENT NOTICE.

WANTED CANDIDATES to fill 60 posts of Telegraph candidates as under, on Rs. 35|- p. m. as subsistence allowance plus dearness allowance as sanctioned by the Government from time to time:—

10 Bombay Division
20 Bhusaval "
10 Jhansi "
10 Jubbulpore "
10 Sholapur "

Age not less than 18 years and not more than 25 years on 1-5-1945. Educational Qualifications—Matriculation or an equivalent examination of a recognised University. Candidates should be physically fit generally and have the following sight standard:—

DISTANT VISION
As tested with Landolt's Split rings must be 6|6 in one eye and not less than 6|9 in the other "without glasses and the manifest hypermetropia not more than 1.0 in one eye and 1.5 in the other.

COLOUR PERCEPTION
As tested with Edridge Green Lantern should be normal.

NIGHT VISION
Candidates suffering from night blindness will not be considered.

The form of application obtainable from the Divisional Transportation Superintendent, Bombay, Bhusaval, Sholapur, Jhansi and Jubbulpore on payment of Re. 1|- by MONEY ORDER only. Selection will as far as possible be made simultaneously on the various Divisions and candidates should apply to the nearest Divisional Office.

Full name and address of applicant should be entered in BLOCK CAPITAL LETTERS ON MONEY ORDER COUPON OTHERWISE THE MONEY ORDERS ARE LIABLE TO BE RETURNED. Last date of receipt of Money Order is 10-5-1945.

Candidates called for interview should attend entirely at their own expense. A call to attend examination or interview will not imply offer of definite employment.

Selected candidates will have to deposit a sum of Rs. 50|- while under training. (3007)

NOTICE OF TENDERS TO CONTRACTORS

THE AHMEDNAGAR ELECTRIC SUPPLY COMPANY LIMITED

TENDERS ARE HEREBY INVITED upto 7th May, 1945, for the work of constructing a grain godown in the Power House compound of the above Company at Ahmednagar. The whole work is to be completed within 4 months from the date of the acceptance of the tender.

Tenders must be enclosed in a sealed envelope and addressed to Messrs. Nariman Sons, Ltd., Managing Agents, The Ahmednagar Electric Supply Co. Ltd., and delivered at the Office at 19, Chumpa Galli, Shaikh Memon Street, Bombay 2.

Forms of tender, etc., will be given to any one on payment of Rs. 5|- only by the Managing Agents who will also give any further information if required.

The tender deposit to be paid along with the tender is Rs. 1,500 which will be returned to the unsuccessful tenderer.

The undersigned reserves the right of rejecting all or any of the tenders without giving any reasons for the same.

Per Pro. Ahmednagar Electric Supply Co., Ltd.
NARIMAN SONS LTD.,
Managing Agents.
(Sd.) MINOCHER HORMASJI
Director.
3012

GOVERNMENT OF BURMA
Industry and Labour Department
NOTICE
REGISTRATION OF BURMA FIRMS.

THE GOVERNMENT OF BURMA is opening a Register of Firms, both commercial and industrial, which were carrying on business in Burma before the Japanese occupation. Any such Firm wishing to be entered in the Register may obtain an application form from the Secretary to the Government of Burma, Industry and Labour Department, "Hotel Doseteros", Simla, or from any one of the following Chambers and Associations of which they are members:—

(1) Burma Chamber of Commerce.
(2) Burma Indian Chamber of Commerce.
(3) Burma Chinese Chamber of Commerce.
(4) Rangoon Trades Association.
(5) Rangoon Hardware Merchants' Association.
(6) Rangoon Piece-goods Merchants' Association.

NOTE: Firms which have already applied to the Government of Burma for registration or for permission to re-establish themselves in Burma will not be entered in the Register referred to above unless they furnish particulars in the prescribed application form.

KYAW MIN,
Secretary to the Government of Burma,
Industry and Labour Department.
(3010)

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY.
(City Engineer's Department)
ARCHITECTURAL BRANCH.
NOTICE.

TENDERS ARE INVITED for the works described below for the year 1945-46 and will be received upto 1 p. m. (Bombay Time) on any day till FRIDAY, the 4th May, 1945.

"For the execution of annual repairs to all buildings belonging to the Municipality, petty works and supply of labour in E|West, F and G Wards including Bandra Slaughter Houses."

Tenders should be addressed to the Municipal Commissioner and delivered at the office of the Chief Accountant, Municipal Offices, Fort, Bombay, enclosed in a sealed cover bearing the description of the tender.

Forms of tender, specifications, etc., will be issued on payment of Rs. 5|- for each copy to any one deputed to receive them, by the City Engineer, who will, on application, give any further information that may be required.

In case of a firm, the names of all the partners must invariably be specified in the tender.

The Municipal Commissioner does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any tender.

N. B.—"TENDERS MUST BE BROUGHT DULY SEALED TO THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE AND DELIVERED AT THE CHIEF ACCOUNTANT'S OFFICE AS DIRECTED ABOVE. TENDERERS SHALL NOT BE ALLOWED TO FILL IN OR SEAL THEIR TENDERS AT THE CHIEF ACCOUNTANT'S OR ANY OTHER MUNICIPAL OFFICE."

(Sd.) N. V. MODAK,
City Engineer.

Municipal Offices,
Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay.
Dated the 25th April, 1945.
(3025)

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